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PRINCES CHARTER FOR STATES PEOPLE

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Why He Kept Large Amount In High Denomination Notes

CALCUTTA, Jan. 18. (A.P.I.): The largest sum in higher denomination notes tendered for exchange to the Reserve Bank of India here to-day by a single individual was from an official of His Majesty's Government. The amount was Rs. 6,03,000. The tenderer stated in his declaration that the reason for keeping the amount in high denomination notes was "an official secret which cannot be disclosed to the public".

The Bank made payments against higher denomination notes till six in the evening, though normal banking hours extend only till 2 p.m. Throughout the day, a very large crowd was present for obtaining declaration forms and exchanging high denomination notes.

According to a prominent Calcutta businessman, who was present at the Bank, about 50 per cent of the people applying for declaration forms were doing so in order to make a profit from the sale of the forms. They were not likely, he said, to require the forms for their own purposes.

LONDON, Jan. 18. (Reuter): The Foreign Office announces that the Deputies of the Council of Foreign Ministers met today at Lancaster House to continue discussions on the basis of the Moscow Agreement.

STOP PRESS

SECURITIES FROM 'SANSAR'

BENARES, Jan. 18 (A.P.I.)—Two securities amounting to Rs. 5,000 have been demanded by the District Magistrate of Benares from the printer and publisher of the Hindi daily, 'Sansar,' and the keeper of the 'Sansar' press.

RELEASE JAI PRAKASH CAMPAIGN

LUCKNOW, Jan. 18 (A.P.I.)—"Mr. Fenner Brockway is proposing shortly to launch an agitation for the release of Messrs. Jai Prakash Narain and Dr. Ram Manohar Lohia, and for the lifting of the ban on the Congress Socialist Party," said Mr. B. K. Mukherjee, a member of the Indian Labour Delegation to the First International Conference on Inland Transport held in London.

Bhopal's Declaration At Chamber Meeting

RULE OF LAW TO BE BASIS OF ADMINISTRATION

Reforms Plan Promises Civil Liberties To Subjects

NEW DELHI, Jan. 18, (A.P.I.): The Chancellor of the Chamber of Princes, the Nawab of Bhopal, made today a declaration on constitution developments in the States.

His Highness made the declaration in a speech in the Chamber of Princes on a resolution reiterating that Indian States fully share the general desire in the country for the immediate attainment by India of her full stature and will make every possible contribution towards the settlement of the Indian constitutional problem.

WHO DOES NOT WANT IT?

The Chancellor referred to differences and disagreements which, he said, weakened India and added:

"It is to the spirit of justice, tolerance and co-operation that I look to bring us to the goal which every thinking Indian, be he Prince or peasant, must long to reach. Is there one among us who does not wish to see this land of our birth free, great and resected (applause), making its worthy contribution to the uplifting of humanity as it did in the ages long ago?".

Referring to the intention recorded in the resolution to make every possible contribution to the settlement of the Indian constitutional problem, the Chancellor said: "The character and extent of that contribution, it is not yet possible for us to specify, for we have no idea of what the final picture is to be. We can, however, promise our fullest contribution to any attempt to settle India's constitutional problem on a just and reasonable basis".

PRINCES' PLAN

"As an earnest of that spirit and to enable the States to play their full part in the India of the future", the Chancellor made the following declaration:

"The Chamber of Princes, in consultation with the Committee of Ministers, have given anxious consideration to the question of the development of constitutional reforms in Indian States, and without prejudice to the correct constitutional position, which has been reaffirmed by the declaration made in Parliament on behalf of H. M. G. and repeated by H. E. the Viceroy, that 'the decision as to the constitution best suited to the needs of his people and his State rests with the ruler himself to take', they recommend an immediate declaration by the Chamber of Princes of the policy in this matter which should be taken immediately, where this had not already been done, to implement it.

"The Chancellor of the Chamber of Princes is accordingly authorised to make the following declaration on behalf of and with the full authority of the Chamber of Princes.

The object is to set up forthwith constitutions in the States in which the sovereign powers of the rulers are exercised through regular constitutional channels without in any way affecting or impairing the continuance of the reigning dynasty in, and the integrity of, each State. There shall be popular institutions with elected majorities to ensure close and effective association of the people with the governance of the States. It is understood that in framing the detailed constitution of individual States on the above lines, regard shall be had to the special circumstances in each State.

CHARTER FOR SUBJECTS

"Most States have already adopted statutory provisions guaranteeing the rule of law and the security and protection of persons and property within their territories. In order to lay down and declare the position in this matter in precise and clear terms, the following essential rights should be guaranteed in States where this has not already been done with powers vested in the courts of the States to redress any infringement of these rights:—

1. No person should be deprived of his liberty nor should his dwelling for property be entered, sequestered or confiscated save in accordance with law.
2. Such right may be suspended as may be prescribed in case of war, rebellion or serious internal disorder.
3. Every person should enjoy the right of free expression of opinion, the right of free association and combination and the right to assemble peacefully without arms and without military formation for purposes not opposed to law or morality.
4. Every person should enjoy freedom of conscience and the right of freely to profess and practise his religion subject to public order and morality.
5. All persons should be equal before the law, irrespective of religion, caste or creed.
6. No disability should attach to

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Reversal Of Cripps Plan?

Delhi Reaction To Wavell's Address To Princes

(From Our Correspondent).

NEW DELHI, Jan. 17.—Lord Wavell has reversed Cripps declaration is first reaction to Viceroy's address to Princes' Chamber this morning. Lord Wavell has conceded to the Princes' demand that there will be no unilateral revision of their treaties, and such revision if ever attempted will be with their consent. This is in direct opposition to what Sir Stafford Cripps had made people to understand or believe in this country. Cripps' declaration stated, "Whether or not Indian State elects to adhere to the Constitution, it will be necessary to negotiate revision of its treaty arrangements so far as this may be required by the new situation." In other words the revision of treaty was made obligatory. What Lord Wavell today told the Princes was that such revision will be with their consent. On other demands of the Princes, indicated earlier in the week, Lord Wavell either kept mum or was vague. The Princes have been able to secure an important concession from the British Government is the opinion expressed here.

I. N. A. FILM FALLS IN HANDS OF BR. ARMY

NEW DELHI, Jan. 18 (A.P.I.)—Among the material which fell into the hands of the British Army in Burma is a film entitled "Delhi Chalo," depicting Subhas Bose reviewing I.N.A. troops and addressing a mass meeting in Singapore.

The ceremony at which Subhas Bose took charge of the I.N.A. from Rash Behari Bose is also shown in the film.

Declaration Forms

BOMBAY, Jan. 18. (A.P.I.): "The Bombay office of the Reserve Bank of India is making arrangements to receive declaration forms with high denomination bank notes and exchange these notes for an equivalent value of bank notes of the denominational value of 100 Rupee notes on Sunday, 20th January 1946 also", says a press communique issued by the manager, Reserve Bank of India, Bombay.

INDUSTRIES IN STATES

Princes' Terms For Co-operation In All-India Plan

NEW DELHI, Jan. 18 (A.P.I.): The Indian States' attitude to the Government of India's industrial policy is explained in a review of the Chamber of Princes' activities since its last session. The Nawab of Bhopal Chancellor, read the review at today's session. The review says that the States are prepared to co-operate to the fullest extent possible with the plan rquiring all India co-ordination. This must, however, be on the definite understanding that:—There is no discrimination against the States and their peoples; the States are assured due quota of whatever machinery may be available to India, if required by them, and this must take into account the industrial backwardness of the States in general which entitles them to special treatment; no impediments are placed in the way of the legitimate development of the resources and industries and they should be free to give legitimate encouragement to their nascent industries; that in view of the diversity of conditions in British India and the States, co-operation in this matter could not necessarily imply uniformity in regard to details of the plan.

Soviet Delegate Calls For Action

WARNING AGAINST "VOICES FROM SOMEWHERE"

Iran Issue To Come Up Before Security Council

LONDON, Jan. 18, (Reuter): Persia's dispute with Russia over the exclusion of Persian troops from part of Persia's territory will now almost certainly be brought before the U.N.O. How this can be done was discussed today by the Chief Persian Delegate, Syed Hassan Taqizadeh and Gladwyn Jebb, the Executive Secretary of the U.N.O.

An official statement issued at the U.N.O. headquarters said: "The Iranian Ambassador called on the Executive Secretary this morning in order to discuss with him technical arrangements in connection with a possible approach by the Iranian Government to the United Nations on the subject of the situation in north-west Iran".

The visit of the Persian Ambassador to the Executive Secretary of the U.N.O. was presumably made with the object of sounding out U. N. O. official reactions to the various courses of action open to Persia when and if she decides to raise the Azerbaijan dispute in the U.N.O.

It is believed, writes Sylvian Mangeot, Reuter's diplomatic correspondent, that instructions received by the Persian Delegation in London from its Government in Teheran left the widest latitude in deciding the time and manner of raising the problem.

Two main possibilities appear to be firstly, that the case will be laid before the Security Council as an urgent problem. This would entail discusion by the Security Council, but would involve the right of veto by any one of the five permanent members, including the Soviet Union which is a party to the dispute to prevent any action resulting.

Secondly, that the dispute will go to the General Assembly. In this event it is necessary for a majority of the members of the Assembly to agree that the subject should be put on the agenda of the present session. If they do not agree, then Persia would have to forward the request to the Secretariat of the U.N.O. in due course, asking for it to be placed on the agenda for the second half of the General Assembly which is due to meet in America in spring.

QUESTION OF FRONTIERS

The first speaker to mount the golden rostrum in the Central Hal. of the Westminster today to continue the debate on the U.N.O. Preparatory Commission report was the Deputy Yugoslav Prime Minister, M. Edward Kardelj, Head of the Yugoslav Delegation, cables Khalek Qureshi, Reuter's special correspondent.

Speaking in Yugoslavian, he declared that if peace was to be ensured they must give the great powers within the U.N.O. the responsibility of the rights and duties which corresponded to their true role in international affairs.

"By formally establishing equal rights and duties for States, large and small, within the U.N.O. we should be casting a veil over reality which would none the less remain what it is. It is obvious that such a course would only render more difficult our endeavours to attain peace," he said.

M. Kardelj raised by implication the question of Yugoslavia's frontiers when he said "Yugoslavia wishes to draw the attention of the United Nations to this fact which concerns her more specifically and which at the same time, is a part and parcel of the general case. Fascist aggression has been defeated in this war. Can we, however, consider that it has been really destroyed and that the preliminary conditions for lasting peace in this part of Europe exists in accordance with the spirit of the Charter of the United Nations, if this same aggressive pressure is to re-appear on the same frontiers? We do not consider that we can. I should say that such a peace would be unjust and unstable if it would not prevent aggressors of yesterday from opressing anew and endangering other small nations."

DANGEROUS VOICES

The Assembly then heard another new language—Russian—when M. Gromyko, leading the Russian delegation in the absence of M. Andrei Vyshinsky, deputy Soviet Foreign Commissar, in blunt words warned that dangerous voices were being heard "from somewhere" suggesting that there should be a revision of the Charter in relation to the powers to be exercised bi the Security Counto be over the Commission on atomic energy. M. Gromyko spoke quickly and without any attempt at oratorical emphasis.

All the delegations were represented but there were many unoccupied seats. The British foreign secretary Mr. Ernest Bevin, entered the hall just before M. Gromyko went to the rostrum.

IMPORTANT STAGE

M. Andrei Gromyko, said: "The first session of the General Assembly is an important stage in the course of the struggle of freedom-loving nations for peace and security. It is the logical development of the ideas expressed in the declaration of the four powers adopted at the Moscow Conference of the Foreign Ministers in October 1943 which stated the necessity for creating an international organisation to maintain peace and security.

All nations, big and small, are interested in securing stable peace and in preventing repetition of new aggression. In this their interests completely coincide. Endeavours to counterpoise big States with small ones cannot be regarded with sympathy in the U.N.O., for this organi-

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TWO PERSONS KILLED

Disturbances In Nagpur Labour Area: Free Fight Inside Mill

NAGPUR, Jan. 18 (A.P.I.): Two persons were killed in a serious disturbance which occurred today in one of the labour areas of the city. It is estimated that about 500 persons of rival groups participated in the rioting. One died of stab wounds caused by a sharp iron weapon, while the other succumbed to serious wounds shortly after his admission into the Mayo Hospital. The latter victim had two inches deep wounds on his chest due to stabbing. Police investigations are continuing. Both the victims are Harijans. The number of those injured is stated to be over a dozen in rioting.

The mills areas presented a deserted appearance this afternoon following the closure of all mills.

8 INJURED IN FREE FIGHT

NAGPUR, Jan. 18 (U.P.I.): "Loyalist" workmen and strikers of the Empress Mills came to a clash this morning resulting in injuries to eight men. It appears that a few hundred men, who did not join the strike were inside the Mills when some strikers infiltrated and there ensued a free fight inside the mills in which sticks, knives, etc. were used. While the fight was continuing, workmen of the boiler department struck work resulting in the complete stoppage of work. Police soon arrived and dispersed the crowd which pelted stones, by which one policeman was injured.

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GOVT. EXTEND DATE FOR TENDERING OF NOTES

Notification Under Sec. 6 Of High Denomination Notes Ordinance

NEW DELHI, Jan. 19. (A.P.I.): The Government of India have issued to-day (19-1-46) a notification under Section 6 (10) of the High Denomination Bank Notes (Demonetisation) Ordinance, 1945 (No. III of 1946), authorising the Reserve Bank, every Scheduled Bank and every Government Treasury to extend the period during which high denomination notes may be tendered for exchange to January 26, 1946, says a Press Note.

BARODA PROMULGATES NOTES ORDINANCE

(From Our Correspondent.)

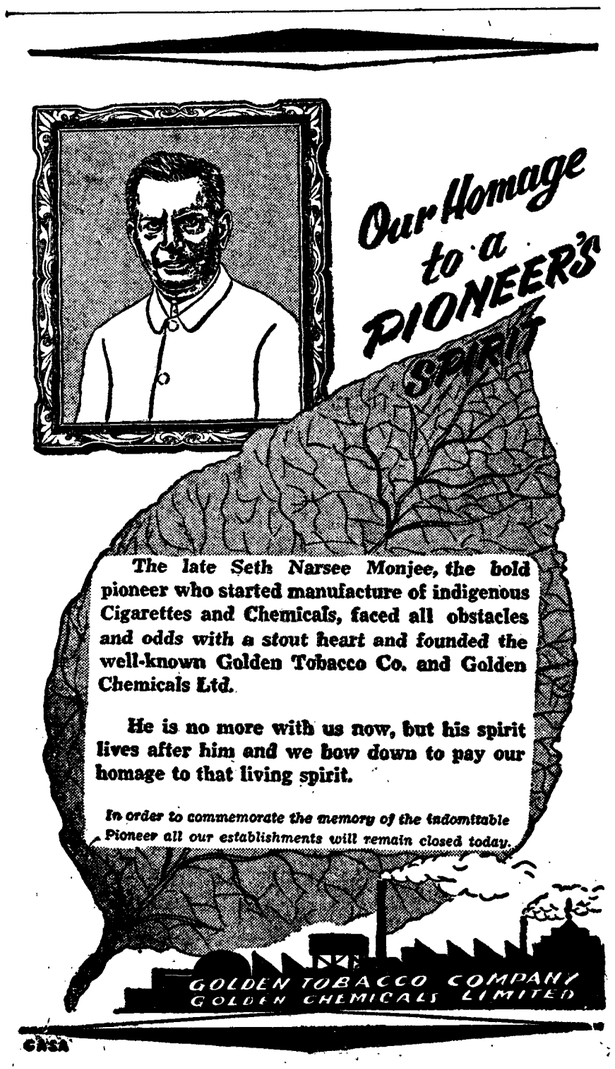
AHMEDABAD, Jan. 18.

Baroda State has promulgated the Notes Ordinance in the state and attached areas. Nobody now gives change for even Rs. 100 notes.

RUSH FOR DECLARATION FORMS

CALCUTTA, Jan. 18. (A.P.I.): A long queue was waiting as early as at nine this morning in front of the Reserve Bank of India for declaration forms under the Currency Ordinance.

Over 25,000 declaration forms were distributed yesterday, and then the supply ran short. Applicants were advised to come this morning for forms.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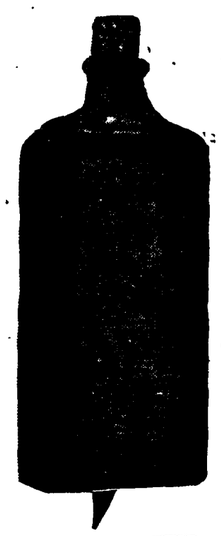

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LIGHT ON SUBHAS' ESCAPE FROM INDIA

Journey From Burdwan To Kabul Disguised In False Hair And Beard

(From Our Correspondent.)
LAHORE, Jan. 18.

Sensational "revelations" regarding the escape of Babu Subhas Chandra Bose from India about December 30, 1940, dressed as a bearded Pathan are made by Master Tarasingh, prominent leader of the Akali Party in the Akali monthly journal, "Santsipahi".

JOURNEY TO KABUL

The paper states that Subhas left Calcutta by car about December 30. On reaching Burdwan, he boarded the Punjab Mail in which a second class compartment had been reserved for him. Subhas Bose had grown a beard and he was given a padding of false hair for the neck to make him look like a Pathan. He stayed in Peshawar with Khan Abbaskhan for six days and left for Kabul escorted by a bodyguard.

For five miles from Peshawar, Subhas had a Peshawari tonga. He did the rest of the journey to Kabul on foot. He had acute dysentery on arrival at Kabul. Before he could recover he was spotted out by a C.I.D.

ESCAPE FROM C.I.D.

The paper alleges that Subhas escaped from the C.I.D. man's tentacles by giving him ten rupees and a fountain pen which he was carrying at the moment.

Subhas contacted the Russian Government but they refused help on the plea that a breach of the Russo-German alliance was threatened and that negotiations between the British Government and Russians were in progress. The Russian Government was not prepared to give cause for grievance to anyone under these circumstances.

It is further by the Akali Party journal that the German Safaratkhana learnt about Subhas' desire to escape and atonce contacted Berlin. Arrangements for Subhas being flown to Berlin over the Russian territory were thereafter made.

It is stated that Subhas also tried to escape from India in 1939 but could not succeed then. Sometime after his release in the last week of November 1940, due to illness Subhas expressed his desire to Sardar Niranjansingh Talib a prominent journalist of Calcutta and the Editor of "Deshdarpan" to go to Russia. Mr. Talib told Subhas that a Communist leader, Accharsingh Chinna who was then absconding in connection with the Fatehwal murder case had sources likely to be of use to Subhas. After this a Bose-Talib Chinna meeting was arranged and it was decided that Mr. Talib and Chinna should go to the Punjab and work for the unity between the Communist and Akali party. Mr. Talib and Chinna held joint consultations with the Punjab Communists leaders and the Akali Party. It was decided that while the Communists would arrange for Subhas to go over to Russia the Akalis would take the Communists into confidence so far as the management of Gurdwaras was concerned in the Punjab. This decision was not acted upon and both Communist and Akali Party fell out. But by that time Subhas had escaped. The story of Subhas escape was given out 26 days after he had actually left Calcutta.

INDIANS IN BURMA

Proposed Association

Mr. B. K. Dadachanji, Chapsey Terrace, Altamount Road, Bombay, writes:—

"Many literate Burma Indians in this country have since their arrival here been thinking very seriously of their political future in Burma. The general feeling amongst a majority of them is that there should be a drastic change in the attitude to be adopted by Indians in Burma in political matters and among other things it is suggested that Indians should voluntarily give up their special political rights, privileges and safeguards reserved to them under the Government of Burma Act, 1935. This section of Indians is of opinion that Indians in Burma should in due course, if not at an early stage, merge their political identity with that of the Burmese people for better or for worse. This is the proper time to take a definite step in that direction and to reconsider the position of Indians in the light of the past experience particularly since the time of the separation of Burma from India. It is also felt that there should be created a body to act as a liaison between the peoples of India and Burma in their struggle for freedom from foreign rule and for their mutual political and economic advancement. This view is also held by a large number of Indians in Burma who remained behind in that country during the period of the Japanese occupation. It is very necessary that views such as these and others should be made widely known both within and outside Burma as early as possible. For this purpose and, for bringing together persons of similar views, it is proposed to form an association with 'inter alia' the following aims and objects:—

(a) For Indians in Burma to completely identify themselves politically with the Burmese people by renouncing the political rights, privileges and safeguards reserved to them under the Government of Burma Act, 1935;

(b) To co-operate with the Burmese people in their efforts and struggles for political and economic advancement;

(c) To promote and maintain unity and goodwill among all the people inhabiting Burma;

(d) To act as a liaison body for the co-operation of the people of India and Burma in their struggle for freedom from foreign rule and for mutual political and economic advancement;

(e) To safeguard the personal laws of Indians in Burma and to work for the preservation of their religious, cultural and educational rights and traditions and to promote their social welfare;

(f) To promote the interests and well-being of the people of Burma in general and Indians in particular in keeping with the aims and objects of the Association;

This circular is being sent to a number of associations and bodies of Burma Indian Evacuees individual Burma Indians in India and in Burma for their opinion. After taking into consideration their views and criticisms, it is proposed to hold an inaugural meeting to launch the Association.

Molotov To Become Soviet Premier?

NEW YORK, Jan. 17, (U.P.A.): The widely circulated magazine "Newsweek" today reported that although rumours of Generalissimo Joseph Stalin's retirement have been discredited, it is still felt that he will half-withdraw from political activity and become the Secretary General of the Communist Party when the post-war scene has been stabilized.

The magazine said that Foreign Commissar Molotov is "almost certain to succeed Stalin as Premier rather than Molotov's supposed rival Marshall Zukov."

Continuing, "Newsweek" added that the Deputy Foreign Commissar Vyshinsky is expected to replace Molotov as head of the Foreign Office.

Move To Amend Indian Act Of 1919

MADRAS, Jan. 18 (UPI): A suggestion that the newly elected members of the Central Assembly should table resolutions for being moved at the ensuing session of the Central Assembly urging that the Indian Act, 1919, be so amended as to accomplish the establishment of a responsible National Government at the Centre was made by Mr. T. Prakasam, President, Andhra Provincial Congress Committee, in an interview to the 'United Press of India.'

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riotic leaders of the Azad Hind Fouj, Capt. Shah Nawaz Khan, Lieut. Dillon and Capt. Seghal, and tender our thanks to the Commander-in-Chief, General Sir Claude Auchinleck for their release."

It was recalled that the first meeting of the Indian Congress was held 60 years ago in December 1885, and attained its growth in the organisation of today. The history of Congress was marked by sufferings and sacrifices. Congress, a speaker said, was the Indian nationals' greatest asset, and they must uphold all for what it stood.

KUNZRU DECLINES TO ATTEND

Pandit Hridaynath Kunzru, President of the Servants of India Society, declined an invitation to attend and address the meeting.

Pandit Kunzru and S. Kodanda Rao, another distinguished Indian leader have arrived in Malaya, as representatives of the Government of India to enquire into, and study, the problems of Indians in Malaya. They have already visited two B.M.A. Relief Camps and Choultry, and have seen conditions of Indian labourers on rubber estates. They have discussed the economic and political situations with Indian leaders in Malaya.

KUNZRU'S OPINION

In the course of an interview Pandit Kunzru said: The economic condition of the labourers is thoroughly unsatisfactory. The wages they get are quite inadequate in comparison to the high prices of the necessaries of life and the wages the Chinese receive. They are not entitled to a rice ration and, consequently are unable to get any rice. They have hardly anything to wear and the little money they have is in Japanese currency. It will be our business to make representations to the Government of India on what steps should be taken to relieve distress among Indian workers."

I.N.A. TRIAL

With regard to the I. N. A. trial at New Delhi Pandit Kunzru said the view prevailing in India was that whether the policy of the Indian National Army was right or wrong, they acted from a patriotic motive. However misguided they may have been, their actions were inspired by a desire to achieve the independence of the country and not to collaborate with the Japanese.

Pandit Kunzru and Mr. Kodanda Rao are expected to arrive in Penang in a few days and will also probably visit Kedah in order to see the B. M. A. relief camps in that State to study the conditions of Indian labourers in North Malaya.

No Confidence In New Indian Agent

"CHETTUR, GO BACK"

(From Our Correspondent)
PENANG, Jan. 8.

A vote of "no-confidence" in Mr. S. K. Chettur, Indian Agent for Malaya who is now on his way back to Malaya, was passed by Indians in Selangor who attended a public meeting held in Kuala Lumpur on Sunday, January 6 in commemoration of the Diamond Jubilee of the Indian National Congress.

Convened by the Selangor Indian Labour Union, and held at the Chinese Assembly Hall, the meeting was attended by over 2,000 Indians who shouted "Chettur, go back; we do not want Chettur!"

Mohan, President of the Union, stated: "My voice is that of 35,000 Indian labourers. They are in rags, many are starving, and many are without jobs. All are greatly underpaid and many have been disabled by diseases. Many have been lost and many others forced to destitution. If Chettur comes with me, I will show him that the statement he made in India, that he saw no beggars here and that he thought the conditions of Indians was not as bad as was thought to have been, is false. We want another man."

The speaker added that the Indians in Malaya needed relief now more than ever.

The meeting also passed the following resolution "This meeting of the Indians in Selangor, held under the auspices of the Selangor Indian Union, sends its heartiest greetings to the Indian National Congress in the achievement of the independence of our dear motherland. We express our happiness on the release of our pat-

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THE ASSAM TEA COMPANY LTD.

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ISSUED CAPITAL ..... Rs. 5,00,000/- (FIVE LACS)

Divided into 30,000 Ordinary Shares of Rs. 10 each and Rs. 2,000 (6 per cent Tax-free Redeemable Cumulative) Preference Shares of Rs. 100 each (Redeemable at Par) payable as follows:

For Ordinary Shares—Rs. 5 per share is to be paid with application and balance within a month of allotment.

For Preference shares—Rs. 50 per share is to be paid with application and balance within a month of allotment.

An admission fee of Re. 1 is payable with each application for shares.

The Managing Agents, Directors and their Friends have promised to subscribe 50 per cent of the Preference shares and 50 per cent of the Ordinary shares.

Application has been made to the Committee of the Calcutta Stock Exchange Association for permission to have the shares quoted in the Official list.

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AUDITORS:

Messrs. H. C. Das and Co., R.A. (Incorporated Accountants) 1/1, Vansittart Row, Calcutta.

SOLICITORS:

Messrs. Dutt & Son, Temple Chambers, Calcutta and Mr. S. N. Sen, B.L. 9, Old Post Office Street, Calcutta

REGISTERED OFFICE:

"SHARE DEALERS' HOUSE" 12, Chowringhee Square, Calcutta.

MANAGING AGENTS:

Messrs. Aryan Planters' Agency, Tea Planters, Bankers and Merchants 12, Chowringhee Sq., Calcutta.

OBJECTS AND PROSPECTS:

The Company has been formed generally for the purpose of cultivating Tea and to carry on the business of Tea Planters and to prepare, manufacture and render marketable product either in prepared, manufactured or in raw state and to acquire the tea estate commonly known as HINGAJEA TEA ESTATE in Sylhet and for other purposes mentioned in the Memorandum of Association of the Company.

Negotiation for purchase of the said Hingajea Tea Estate with a granted area of 2444.80 acres including valuable forests, tools, plant and machinery, buildings, etc., belonging thereto has been completed with Messrs. James Finlay and Co. Ltd., Agents of the Chargola Tea Association Ltd., of Great Britain, the owners of the said Tea Estate and Aryan Planters' Agency, 12, Chowringhee Square, Calcutta, the Managing Agents of the Company. The consideration price for the said property is Rs. 8,00,000 (Eight Lacs) including tea plants, valuable forests, other immoveable properties as stated below. Messrs. Aryan Planters' Agency has entered into an agreement to transfer to the Company all the rights and privileges of the said property at the same price without taking any profit or brokerage for it. The Stamp duty, registration fees, Solicitor's cost of the conveyance and completion of purchase will be paid from the fund of the Company.

The position of the Tea Estate is given below:—

The distance from Railway Station and Steamer Station Kulaura and Fenchuganj is only 6 miles and 12 miles respectively. All goods are despatched by steamer only thus saving a lot of freight charges.

Total area of grant	2444.80 acres.
Area under Tea:	694.25 acres.
	approximately
Tea obtained in 1945	3000 Maunds
Khet Land	322.25 acres.
Uprooted area replanted 45 acres in 1940-42. Land available for tea	608.62 acres.
Estimated crop for the year 1946:	3500 Maunds
Estimated gross sale proceeds of Green Tea for internal consumption at 1/- per lb. ..... Rs.	2,80,000
Estimated working expenses for the year, 1946:—	80,000
Interest on preference shares	12,000
Other items:	10,000
Expected income from tea:	1,78,000
Expected income from paddy and Forest produce:	5,000
Total labour force:	665 souls
Total population:	1300 souls.
Revenue stores to be paid annually: Rs. 4,880.	

BUILDINGS:

1. Manager's Bungalow—Iron columns, Brick walls and thatch roof. Size—100' x 60'.
2. Factory Building—Iron columns brick walls and C.I. Roof, 150' x 60'.
3. Engine, Firing and electric power house—Iron columns wooden super structure and C.I. roof, 122' x 36'.
4. Battery House—Brick walls with wooden super structures and C. I. roof—24' —6" x 16' x 6".
5. Battery accessories stores room brick walls with wood and italite roof .. 14' x 12 1/4'.
6. 5 Withering houses—
   1 of Iron columns in brick work, wooden frame and C.I. roof .. 150' x 32'.
   1 of brick columns, wooden frame and C.I. roof, 150' x 32'
   1 of brick columns Iron frame work and C.I. roof 150' x 32'.
   1 of brick columns wooden frame and C.I. roof 150' x 30'
   1 of all iron, wooden floor and S-I. roof 124' x 36'
7. Fermenting house and part godown—Iron and brick frame wooden floor C.I. roof 150' x 40'
8. Hospital building .. Iron columns, brick walls and C.I. roof 75' x 50'.
9. Office buildings .. Iron columns, brick walls and C.I. roof—36' x 26'
10. 3 Godowns .. Iron and wooden frame and C.I. roof—14' x 11 1/2', 22' x 15 1/2', 122' x 30'
11. Two Garages .. Wooden frame, brick walls and C.I. roof 32' x 18', 21 1/2' x 13 3/4'
12. Three manure sheds brick, iron columns and C.I. roof.
13. 14 Staff quarters—2 semi pucca and rest kutcha.
14. 203 quarters for labourers—6 pucca and 197 kutcha.

MACHINERY.
(Description)

1. 3 Crossby Oil Engines 85 H.P. 60 H.P. and 4 H.P. Paraffin Engine 1 Ruston and Hornsby 10 B.H.P. Crude Oil Engine.
2. 4 Jackson's rolling tables.
3. 3 Drying machines—1 Victoia, 1 Victoria, 1 Sirocco Down Draft and 1 Empire 4 ft.
4. 4 cutting machines—1 Jackson's clip Action, 1 Reids, 1 Savage cutter and Bateman Stalk extractor, 1 Chaff cutter.
5. 2 Sorters—1 Moore's and 1 McDonald's Deflector Fanner.
6. G.E.C.—Electric installation comprising dynamo, switchboard and fittings.
7. Chloride Electrical storage Co.'s 60 cells A L G 4 type battery (replated in 1944).
8. Marchasil's polishing machine for Green Tea.

MANAGING AGENTS:

In the Articles of Association it is provided that Messrs. Aryan Planters' Agency, Bankers, Merchants and Tea-Planters of Calcutta, are to be the Managing Agents of the Company for 20 (twenty) years. The Managing Agents shall get a monthly remuneration of Rs. 500 and a commission at the rate of 10 per cent on the net profits of the Company without any deduction.

Mr. S. Chatterji one of the Directors is the sole Proprietor of Messrs. Aryan Planters' Agency.

APPLICATION FOR SHARES:

Application for shares should be made on the accompanying form and returned to Messrs. Aryan Planters' Agency, Managing Agents of the Company at 12, Chowringhee Sq., Calcutta or to the Company's Bankers.

If no allotment is made the deposit accompanying the application for shares will be returned in full. If the number of shares allotment is less than the number applied for, the surplus deposit will be credited in reduction of the amount payable on allotment. Failure to pay and future instalment on the shares allotted when due any render all previous payment liable to forfeiture.

Forms of application for shares may be obtained from the Company's Managing Agents and from any officers of the Company's Bankers.

FORM OF APPLICATION FOR SHARES

To
The Managing Agents,
THE ASSAM TEA COMPANY LTD.,
"Share Dealers' House",
12, Chowringhee Square, Calcutta.

Gentlemen,

I/We hereby request you to allot to me/us..... shares of Rs..... each in the abovementioned Company; and I/we agree to accept such shares, or any smaller number you may allot to me/us, subject to the provisions of the Memorandum and Articles of Association I/we send herewith the sum of Rs. ..... by cheque/Postal Money order being a deposit of Rs. ..... per share and I/we agree to pay the balance within a week from the allotment of shares to me/us and I/we authorise you to place my/our name on the Register of Members in respect of the shares so allotted.

Broker.

Usual Signature .....
Name (in full) .....
Address .....
Occupation .....

Dated the ..... day of .....1946.

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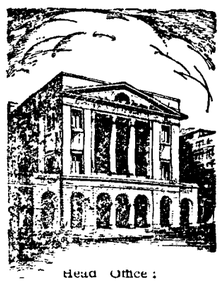

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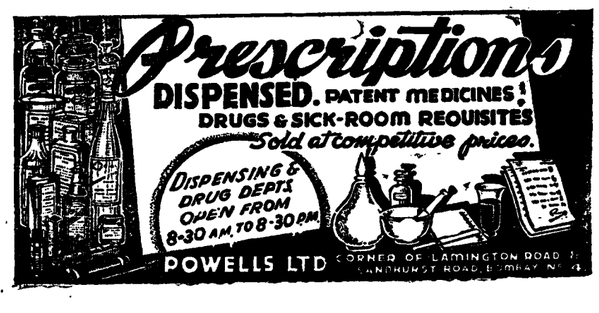
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Sunrise 7.15 A. M. Sunset 6-24 P. M.
Hightide: 01.19, 13.14. Lowtide 07.36, 19.09.

To-day's Engagements

BAND (MOONLIGHT): Arranged by Bombay Municipality at Victoria Gardens, Byculla, today (Saturday) at 9 p. m. (S. T.) (City Police Band).

YOUTH'S PARLIAMENT: Debate on Democracy is suited to India by Mr. Bhaichitre at Blavatsky Lodge, today (Saturday) at 6-30 p. m. K. K. Dadachanji will preside.

ROYAL INSTITUTE OF SCIENCE: Dr. Desai will speak on "Women in Science" (in Gujarati) in Royal Institute of Science Ground Floor today (Saturday) at 4 p.m.

GANDHARVA SANGEET MANDAL: Musical concert today (Saturday) at 9-30 p. m. at Laxmi-Baug, New Bhatwadi, Girgaum, when Miss Padma Shaligram will entertain by her vocal Music.

TANKAR MANDAL: Free exhibition of educational films with sound (courtesy U. S. I. S.), such as: "on Atom", "A child went forth", etc., today (Saturday) at 7 p. m. at Laxminagar hall, 10th Road, Khar.

BALKAN JI-BARI: Psychological study class, 4th Floor, Sir Vithaldas Chambers, opposite Imperial Bank of India, Apollo Street, today (Saturday), at 4 p. m. Mr Shewak's talk in Gujarati.

LATE SULTAN PADAMSEE

Friends and admirers of the late Mr. Sultan Padamsee, will meet to pay tributes to his memory tomorrow (Sunday) at 10 A.M. at the Indian Merchants' Chamber, Churchgate, Fort Bombay.

KRISHNAGANA SABHA: Flute performance by Sangeeta Kalanidhi Palladam Sanjeeva Rao (flute); Karur Chinnasami Iyer (violin); and Mylatoor Ramachandran (mridangam); on Sunday, at 5 p.m. at S I E S School Hall, Matunga.

SARASWAT CO-OPERATIVE BANK, LTD: Social quarterly meeting of members today (Saturday) at 5 p. m. in Bank's building, Girgaum.

K. P. C. A. Inaugural address today (Saturday) at 6 p. m. at Adelphi Chambers, Clare Road, Byculla, by Mr. R. V. Athaide.

MUSLIM STUDENTS' UNION: Mr. A. Peshimam and Haji Ahmed Nakhuda, will meet members today (Saturday) at 6-15 p. m. at the office of the Union (Jumma Masjid Building, J. J. Hospital Corner) and discuss with them the "Problems of Muslim Trusts".

RAMAKRISHNA MISSION: Religious discourses by Swami Sambuddhanand of Ramakrishna Mission today (Saturday) at Batliboi's Accountancy Institute, Prescott Road, Fort, on Vedanta Philosophy at 3 p. m. also at Ramakrishna Vivekananda Centre, Dadar, on Upanishads (in English) at 5-30 p.m.

NATIONALIST CHRISTIAN PARTY: Public meeting on Sunday at 10.45 a. m. at Nagpada Neighbourhood House, Byculla, when Miss Anne Mascarene, will speak on: "Indian States with Special Reference to Educational Reforms in Travancore." Mr. S. B. D'Silva will preside.

VARIETY ENTERTAINMENT: In aid of Shree Vadasinor Modh Brahmin Seva Sangh, at 4 p.m. on Sunday, at Sunderbai Hall. Programme includes music by Mrs Hirabai Barodekar and Miss Setta D. Mooky, Kathak Dances by Miss Jayakumari of Jaipur and Indian Orchestra by Master Ibrahim.

ALL BOMBAY SPINNING COMPETITION: All Bombay spinning competition arranged by Matunga and Sion Taluka Congress Samitis will take place at 5 p. m. at Podar College, Matunga today (Saturday). All competitors, irrespective of whether they have received a reply or not, are requested to be present with their own charkhas and winders half an hour before the commencement of the competition.

KARNATAKA UNIFICATION CONFERENCE: Tenth All Karnataka Unification Conference will be held in Sunderabai Hall today (Saturday) at 4 p.m. under the presidentship of Sri B. G. Kher. On Sunday: Symposium each on the Economics of Unification and United Karnatak through History; Variety Entertainments by Kannada section of Indian National Theatre and concluding Sessions of the Conference from morning 9 onwards in the Peoples' Jinnah Hall.

BOMBAY WAR GIFTS FUND LADIES' COMMITTEE: The Ladies Committee Victory Thanksgiving Fund, (late Bombay War Gifts Fund) has started work in earnest and great plans are on foot already for a Gala Valantine Ball, which will be held at the Mahalaxmi Race Course (Members' Enclosure) on 14th February 10 p.m. to 3 a.m. The day following is a Public holiday so the party should be merry and bright. His Excellency the Governor and Lady Colville have accorded their Patronage to this function and have graciously consented to be present. Admission tickets at 20/- each are now available with booking at Taj, S. Rose & Co., and at the Ladies Committee Office, 3rd floor, Central Bank Building. Lady Mody is the principle organizer and has already affected a brisk sale of tickets and is planning some novel side shows.

This is likely to be the last big function organized by the Ladies Committee and the Public, are assured for a really great entertainment.

The Poppy Day functions on behalf of British and Indian ex-Servicemen organized by this Committee last November released very substantial amounts and Rs. 55,000/- has already been paid into the Fund. The poppies and garlands fetched a record sum and realized over Rs 45,000/- this time: The Poppy Day Ball realized Rs. 17,269/11/- nett and the Piano Recital Rs. 6,578/- nett. The public responded very generously to this appeal.

MURDER IN DADAR

BOMBAY Friday.

Bai Aimai Jehangir Panthaki residing at Dadar was found dead in her room this afternoon with her mouth gagged and her hands and feet bound with a rope.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

SATURDAY, Jan. 19.
BOMBAY—1.

244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—8-0 a.m. News (H) 8.15 News (E) 3.30 Kalyani 8.45 Menhoob Ali 8-50 News (M) 9.0 News (G) 9.10 Programme Parade 9.15 Vijaya Desai (Vocal) 9.35 Marathi Pad 9-50 Baboorao Gokhale.

12.30 p.m. Sindhi Songs 12.45 News (M) 12.50 News (G) 12-55 News (H) 1.0 Light Selection 1.30 News (E) 1-40 Lunch Hour Music 2.0 You asked for It 2.30 At Two-Thirty 4.20 Children's Programme (G) 5-0 Pinakin Trivedi 5.15 Krishnarao Kelkar (Indore) 5.45 Topical Talk 5.55 Locals 6-0 Children's Half Hour (H) 6-30 News (E) 6.40 News (H) 6.45 R. A. Paingankar (Flute) 7-0 Baboorao Gkhale 7.15 Kalyani 7.30 Vijaya Desai (Vocal) 8.0 Jat Lakhawanu Te 8.10 Musical Interlude 8.15 News (M) 8.30 News (G) 8-45 For Universities 9.0 News (H) 9-20 News (E) 9.30 B. B. C. News 9-40 Kalyani 10-0 Kavi Parampara 10.30 Krishnarao Ketkar.

RAJAJI EXPOSES AMBEDKAR

Reason For His Violent Dislike Of Mahatma

BOMBAY, Jan. 18 (UPI): "It is indeed a pity that Dr. Ambedkar ignores and understates the good work done by the Congress under the inspiration and driving force of Gandhiji writes Mr. C. Rajagopalachari, in his book "Ambedkar Refuted" in a rejoinder to the Scheduled Caste Leader's book "What Congress and Gandhi have done to the untouchables."

Mr. Rajagopalachari adds: "We have to look for a materialist explanation for this attitude of the educated leaders of the Scheduled Castes. These castes are scheduled for special favours intended for their uplift. Though these concessions are made for the benefit of the scheduled communities as a whole, the advantages accrue most to the educated leaders. Thriving on the scheduled status, it is no wonder many of them want that undesirable status to continue intact. They become detractors and enemies of any efforts that seek to remove the bar, for it may tend to the termination of the special favours based on the depressed condition of their community. It is a paradox, but it is true that it is natural for educated and favoured leaders of Scheduled Classes to do their utmost for the continuation of the isolation of their community and to oppose and belittle all efforts at the removal of untouchability. This is the material explanation for the violent dislike of Gandhiji exhibited by Dr. Ambedkar who looks upon this great and inspired reformer as the worst enemy of the 'untouchables', meaning thereby of the educated and ambitious among them who find that the depressed status furnished a short cut to positions."

Syces Charged In Court

BOMBAY, Friday.

The names of the two syces who were arrested and put up before the Chief Presidency Magistrate yesterday, are, Gordhan Gajadhar and Ghian Gajadhar.

The police stated that the first accused had made a confession that he had received Rs. 200 for doping two horses, from certain interested parties. He had done the doping with the help of the second accused who is his brother. Later on he confirmed the statement before the stewards. Then, it was stated, be retracted.

The Magistrate directed the accused to be released on bail.

Race Selections.

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By Our Racing Correspondent

1st Race: 1 Rajendra, 2 Sheikh Chilli, 3 Iraq Marshal.

2nd Race: 1 King's Cup, 2 Pound Note, 3 Begum Para.

3rd Race: 1 Paravant, 2 Here's How, 3 Montgomery.

4th Race: 1 Magnificent, 2 Her Majesty, 3 Kirti.

5th Race: 1 Red Blinkers, 2 Shree Ranjit, 3 Isfoog.

6th Race: 1 Alijah, 2 Yawar, 3 Mahboob.

7th Race: 1 National Velvet, 2 Royal Consort, 3 Yalta.

8th Race: 1 His Excellency, 2 Usha, 3 Paramount.

9th Race: 1 Rentenmark, 2 Silverlining, 3 Oliver.

Dark Flukes: Elfin Grove and Malakeh.

AMALGAMATION OF INDIAN STATES WITH BRITISH INDIA

Durbar Chandrasinhji's Suggestions

Durbar Shri Chandrasinhji, President of the Jurisdictional and Non-Jurisdictional Talukdar's Association has issued a statement in which he refers to Pandit Jawahar's advocacy for amalgamation of smaller Indian States with British India, and points out that the people of small Indian States have the same right to aspire for amenities as those of the people of British India. Further, he states that if the people and the Talukdars are not timely saved, their lot will worsen and the larger States will later have a chance of artificially showing to the outside world that their incomes (not revenues) have considerably increased. He also opines that incomes derived from railways, ports, etc., are not revenue and permanent in nature, as these incomes ought to be public property.

PROTEST AGAINST SALES TAX

3-Day Hartal To Be Observed

Mr. Yeshwant Krishna Parulekar in the capacity of the President of the meeting of the members of associations, held at the Byculla Vegetable Market, has forwarded three resolutions unanimously passed at the said meeting, to the Joint Secretary to the Government of Bombay, Finance Dept. Strong objection is expressed to the Bombay Sales Tax Bill being passed into a law, and advises the Government to take into consideration the overwhelming public opinion in the whole of the province which is being expressed toraly, against the Bill and to withdraw it.

Further it has been decided to suspend for three days (19th, 20th and 21st inst.) the business of all those associations and markets represented at the meeting.

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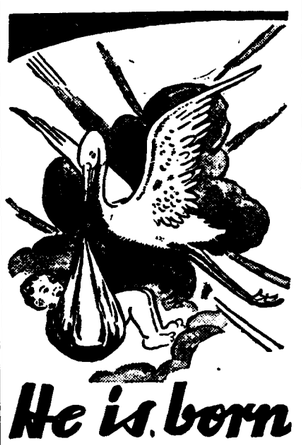

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PRE-PRELIMINARY EDUCATION OF CHILDREN

Kher Inaugurates Conference At Convocation Hall

BOMBAY, Friday.

Inaugurating the pre-Primary Educational Conference and Exhibition organized by the Nutan Bal Shikshan Sangh at the University Convocation Hall this evening, Mr. B. G. Kher, former Premier of Bombay stressed the importance of the pre-primary stage of education in the education of a child.

The Wardha Education Committee, he said, had accepted three principles for their Basic Education Scheme, namely, "learning by doing", "education through the mother-tongue of the child", and "education must become self-supporting if it were to become universal". He accepted the activity principle for he believed that true education was itself a creative process. It was necessary to "discover the creator in the child".

TASK AHEAD

Continuing Mr. Kher said:—"There are roughly 2-1/2 crores of children,—roughly 31 lakhs in cities and the rest in rural areas—to educate in the pre-primary stage. I would ask your conference to devise a practical and efficient scheme of their education which our poor country can afford to give effect to".

CALL TO WOMEN

Mr. Kher further reviewed the activities of the Nutan Bal Shiksha Sangh during the last 20 years, and called upon women to take to the work of pre-primary education particularly in Maharashtra where it was badly neglected.

Concluding Mr. Kher said:—"We can realise that we shall have to build up our own educational system suited to the environments of our country. Costly apparatus, richly paid teachers, fine buildings are what many people used to consider to be the indispensable needs of the pre-primary stage of education but in a poor country like India, we must learn to adjust our methods to the masses at the disposal of our people. Our first concern must be to consider the child as a physical organism and plan for its proper healthy growth. We must take count of the impulses viz: (1) to be active, and (2) to experiment, we must see to it that the proper physical and social environment are provided—these are problems which only experts like you can solve. It is not possible to rely on books written by other people in the light of their own experiments. And even then "we shall probably never learn to educate children beyond their native equipment but we may succeed in time in allowing the growth impulses to take the individual as far as the capacity they carry with them can go and that after all is a goal we have never yet reached."

THE EXHIBITION

The exhibition as described by Prof. N. G. Naralkar catered to the needs of primary education in all their varied aspects. It had three principal sections, namely teaching aid, children's exhibits and educational toys. The play-way method of education has been graphically portrayed in the first section. The usual wordy jargon into which much of the present-day education lapses is replaced by a wealth of ingenious teaching aids. A special feature is that the material used for these aids are readily available from the usual domestic environments of our homes and schools. Intricacies of geographical definitions, puzzles of arithmetic and the head-breaking rules of grammar—are all presented in a manner which even an average child can readily absorb.

In the second section there are exhibits prepared by children of varying ages from two to nine. These, said Prof. Naralkar, are to be judged and appreciated not from the adult viewpoint of perspective, colour-harmony and realism. They are expressed in a typical child's language of emotion. They are the efforts of little youngsters bubbling with enthusiasm and striving to express their innermost feelings mostly of joy and ecstasy.

In the third section a special corner is set apart to show what ought to be the correct furniture and fittings for the apartment of a growing child.

The educational toys, said Prof. Narolkar, are based upon the well-known Montessory plan, and he called upon the parents to make use of such toys for their children.

200 DELEGATES

About 200 delegates from all over Maharashtra, most of them women connected with schools and other educational institutions attended the Conference.

Mrs. Malinibai Paranjpe welcoming the delegates said that Conference was unique in as much as it was the first of its kind to deal with pre-primary stage of education. The idea behind the Conference, said the speaker, was to spread the movement of pre-primary education in Maharashtra.

Mrs. Maneklal Premchand stressed the need of providing a club for children where they could be provided with games of educational value and thus cultivate the team spirit.

The Conference continues to-day.

Women & Reserve Bank Of India

A correspondent draws attention to the difficulties and hardships experienced by women who go to the Reserve Bank of India to cash their currency notes of Rs. 500 and above. No special and separate arrangement has been made for women and the correspondent suggests that this should be done.

Central Office Of A. I. S. P. Conference Transferred

The Central Office of the All-India States' People's Conference has now been transferred to Jodhpur. All correspondence should therefore be addressed to this place, informs the General Secretary of the Conference.

Broach Editor Assaulted

(From Our Correspondent)

BROACH, Jan. 16.

K. S. Jahangirji Ardeshir Gandhi editor of "Broach Samachar", the only Gujarati weekly of Broach District was assaulted with stones on Monday night.

MOTOR MERCHANTS' PROTEST AGAINST BANKING ORDINANCE

That on account of the promulgation of High Denomination Banking Ordinance the public at large will lose faith in the present Government Currency is the view expressed in a resolution passed by the Managing Committee of the Bombay Motor Merchants' Association, Ltd.

The resolution further says that "ultimately the Ordinance will reduce the country to poverty as it is aimed at paralysing all classes of business."

EXCHANGE BANK OF INDIA AND AFRICA

According to the telegraphic information received by the Head Office of The Exchange Bank of India and Africa Ltd., the Bank's Aden Branch was successfully opened on the 17th inst. and the response received was very encouraging.

HELP FOR MUSLIM CLAIMANTS

Mr. Ahmed A. Patel, Hon. Joint Secretary of the Provincial Muslim League will be in charge of organisation and management of the work of helping in filling up of declaration forms, regarding High Denomination Notes and providing other necessary facilities, to 'bonafide' Muslim claimants.

HORNIMAN COLLEGE CONVOCATION

The annual convocation of the Horniman College of Journalism will be held at 5 p.m. tomorrow Sunday at the Khalsa College, Matunga. Mr. B. G. Horniman will deliver the Convocation address. Principal Teja Singh will preside. Sri Anant Hari Gadre Editor, "Neerbheed", will act as the master of ceremonies.

NEW DELHI, Jan. 18 (A.P.I.)—Gen. Sir Claude Auchinleck, Commander-in-Chief in India, has been appointed President of the Indian Sailors', Soldiers and Airmen's Board in succession to Sir Mohammed Usman. The Secretary, War Department, has been appointed ex-officio member of the Board in place of the Defence Secretary.

B. E. S. T. CLERKS AND PEONS GIVE STRIKE NOTICE

The B.E.S.T. Scheduled Staff Union Secretary writes:

Clerks, peons and other office-workers of the B.E.S.T. Company have served the Company with a strike notice. The decision was taken by the Managing Committee of the B.E.S.T. Scheduled Staff Union as a result of the verdict of a secret ballot held for this purpose. About 79 per cent of the Scheduled Staff have voted for the strike if the Company does not concede the demands of the employees which include revision of the scales and grades of pay, change in leave and Provident Fund Rules and Dearness Allowance for Sundays and other holidays.

The dispute between the traffic and Engineering workers of the B.E.S.T. Company has been referred to adjudication of Mr. Justice Chagla but the demands of the clerical staff and other office workers have not been referred to the adjudicator in spite of the fact that the B.E.S.T. Scheduled Staff Union representing office-workers of the Company have terminated the Nanavatty Award by means of a proper notice. This has created discontent amongst this section of the B.E.S.T. employees.

The period of strike notice expires by the 1st of February.

ASSAM TEA CO. LTD.

The Assam Tea Co., Ltd., has been formed with an authorised capital of Rs. 8 Lacs, of which the present issue is only Rs. 5 Lacs divided into 30 thousand Ordy. shares of Rs. 10/- each and 2 thousand 6 per cent Tax-free Cumulative Pref. shares of Rs. 100/- each.

The Assam Tea Co. has arranged for the purchase of the Hingajea Tea Estate in Sylhet area having a total grant of 2444.80 acres belonging to the Chargola Tea Association Ltd. of Great Britain, equipped with up-to-date and scientific machineries as this garden is, the company will no doubt be able to begin work all at once and be able to give good dividend from the very first working year. Most of the persons in the Directors' Board have got direct experience in tea planting. It is also to be noted that all the tea companies managed by M/s. Aryan Planters' Agency, who are also the Managing Agents of the Assam Tea Co., have been regularly giving handsome dividends.

KURLA SWEEPERS SCORE

KURLA Jan. 18 (U.P.I.)—Two-hundred and fifty sweepers of the Municipality of Kurla went on strike this morning as a protest against their demand for increase of wages and dearness allowance not being conceded.

Mr. S. H. Jhabwala, Adviser, Bombay Sweepers' Union, had given an ultimatum to the President of the Municipality that unless the demands were conceded within a period of fourteen days which expired yesterday, the sweepers would go on strike.

The strike, however, was called off this evening after a meeting of the Municipality decided to concede the demands of the sweepers in toto.

ZULUS FACE STARVATION

Regent Appeals To His People To Grow More Food

DURBAN, Jan. 18, (Reuter): Addressing a meeting of Zulus at Durban today, the Zulu Regent stated that conditions in Zululand were almost beyond hope and unless the maize quota was increased the Zulus would starve.

He called upon his people to do all that was possible in ploughing and planting and added that he would ask the South African Government for tractors.

WALKOVER FOR KIDWAI?

LUCKNOW, Jan. 18. (O.P.I.): Nomination papers filed by Mr. Rafi Ahmad Kidwai, former Minister, U. P. and Mr. C. G. Gupta for the University Constituency in U. P., were held valid Mr. C. B. Gupta is, however, is not likely to contest the University seat and is expected to withdraw in favour of Mr. Kidwai.

LEAGUE NOMINEES FOR BEHAR ASSEMBLY

PATNA, Jan. 18. (O.P.I.): The Central Parliamentary Board consisting of Nawabzada Liaqat Ali Khan, Choudhry Khaliquzzaman and Mr. Husain Imam has allowed eight appeals against the decision of selection of the Provincial Parliamentary Board and selected the following to contest the election to the Provincial Assembly from the Constituency mentioned with the names of each candidate:—

1. Mr. Mughani, Tirgut Division—Urban, 2. Mr. Moinuddin Khan, Gopalganj Rural. 3. K. S. Mazhar Imam, Chhota Nagpur Urban, 4. Mr. Burmanuddin Khan Santak Pargana North, 5. Mr. Naimul Haq, Santhal Pargana South. 6. Mr. S. Mehdi Hasan, Patna East Rural, 7. Mr. T. Hussain, Muzzaffarnur Sadar and 8. Mr. Ghulam Mohiuddin, Shahabad Rural.

It is understood that Lady Imam who was selected by the Provincial Parliamentary Board has withdrawn in favour of Mrs. Ahmad who is now contesting the seat from the Women's Constituency.

DHILLON ON SIND ELECTION TOUR

KARACHI, Jan. 18. (A.P.I.): Mr. G. S. Dhillon of the I. N. A. arrived in Karachi from Lahore to-day and was received at the station by large crowds. The students greeted him with shouts of "Jai Hind" and garlanded him.

Mr. Dhillon is expected to visit Sukkur shortly to canvass support for the Congress candidate.

Dr. B. S. Moonje and other Hindu Mahasabha Leaders are now in Sukkur working for the Sabha candidate.

MISS MAZUMDAR RELEASED.

CALCUTTA, Jan. 18, (A. P. I.): Miss Ujjala Mazumdar, a Security prisoner, was released from the Presidency Jail, Calcutta, yesterday.

Miss Mazumdar was sentenced to fourteen years rigorous imprisonment in connection with the Lebong Shooting Case. On the expiry of the sentence she was detained as a security prisoner.

Miss Mazumdar was among the prisoners whom Gandhiji met on the occasion of his visit to the Presidency Jail on Tuesday last.

20 POLITICALS ON HUNGER-STRIKE

ALLAHABAD, Jan. 18 (U.P.I.)—According to a Fatehgarh report twenty politicals confined in the Fatehgarh Central Jail have been on hunger-strike for the last three days. Twenty more political prisoners confined in the same jail refused to do any work unless their legitimate demands are redressed.

According to a local English daily the condition of one hunger-striker in the Fatehgarh Jail is reported to be serious.

Their demands are better living conditions, better food and work which they can do without detriment to their health.

INDIAN TRANS-CONTINENTAL AIRWAYS TO GO

KARACHI, Jan. 18 (O.P.I.)—"The Orient Press of India" understands that the Indian Trans-continental Airways Limited in which India participated since 1933 in the operation of the Commonwealth Air Services, is to be liquidated as this organisation is regarded as unsuitable for India. This company has been, since, 1939, a small holding company which has outlived its purpose.

RULER OF SARANGARH DEAD

(From A Correspondent).

SARANGARH, (By Mail).—The death took place of Raja Bahadur Jawahar Singh, C.I.E., Ruler of the Sarangarh State, in the Eastern States Agency, at Sarangarh on 11th inst.

TEACHERS TO GO ON STRIKE

MUTTRA, Jan. 18 (U.P.I.)—The teachers of the District Board schools have decided to go on strike if their grade of pay is not increased. This decision was taken by the Executive Committee of the Association of Teachers of District Board of the United Provinces at a meeting held at Gobardhan.

SALES TAX DETRIMENTAL TO BUSINESS

Hindustani Merchants' Protest

The Managing Committee of the Hindustani Native Merchants' Association, Bombay, has passed the following resolution:

"The Managing Committee after considering the Bombay Sales Tax Bill and its implications is of the opinion that the said bill is highly detrimental to the interest of the business community and is likely to have a retrogative effect on the trade of the Province.

"The introduction of the said bill on the eve of the elections to the Provincial Assembly by the Bombay Government as it is constituted today, is ill timed.

"The future Government which is supposed to work out the post-war reconstruction schemes should have the privilege and opportunity for taking measures to implement the said schemes."

"BEBUNDSHAHI" IN AID OF I. N. A. RELIEF

In aid of the I.N.A. Fund, the Subhas Natya Samaj will stage a Marathi play entitled "Bebundshahi" at the Damodar Thackersey Hall, Parel, Bombay, on Saturday, Jan. 19th at 9 p.m. (S.T.) Shet Motiram Desai (Topiwala) will preside on the occasion. Tickets will be available at the Theatre.

CIVILIAN PASSAGES TO ENGLAND GO DOWN

BOMBAY, Jan. 18 (A.P.I.)—Four hundred civilians will get sea passages for United Kingdom in February as against the general average of 750 in previous months, inquiries in Bombay reveal.

SEVIKAS & KUMARIKAS: General meeting of the Sevikas with usual parade will be held today at 5 p.m. at the Congress House. The Sevikas will be given instructions about duty on 23rd Jan., Subhas Birthday and 26th Jan., the Independence Day. The weekly meeting of the Kumarikas will be held tomorrow (Sunday) the 20th Jan. at 10 a.m. at the Congress House.

I.F.L. & R.D.P.—Under joint auspices of Indian Federation of Labour and the Radical Democratic Party of Bombay a meeting will be held to felicitate Miss Maniben Kara, M.L.A. (Central) President, Indian Federation of Labour, on her nomination to the Central Legislative Assembly today (Saturday) at 6 p.m. at Blavatsky Lodge.

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4. Madura Mani Iyer, Rajamanikam Pillai, Palghat T. S. Mani Iyer.
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Letter To Azad

Non-Violence Policy Mainly Pragmatic

Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali And Achyut Patwardhan Want Issue To Be Re-Examined

CALCUTTA, Jan. 17, (A.P.I.): In a letter to the Congress President, Maulana Abul Kalam Azad, from "Somewhere in India," Mrs. Aruna Asaf Ali and Mr. Achyut Patwardhan are understood to have characterised the resolution of the Congress Working Committee at its last session on non-violence, so far as it touched the events of the last three years, as summary judgment without even securing for all view points the same measure of freedom of expression.

RE-EXAMINE ISSUE

They request the Congress President to re-examine the issue more specifically and formulate specific charges, "and provide us with facilities for appearing before a duly constituted tribunal to vindicate our stand".

The Congress Working Committee's resolution, they say, "is bound to be interpreted as a reflection upon our alleged lapse from the path of duty to the struggle for freedom. Since we have no sense of wrong doing, what we demand most earnestly is not merely vindication of our self-respect, but also the respect that our point of view deserves in the ranks of the Congress".

WE GUIDED AUGUST REVOLT

Mrs. Asaf Ali and Mr. Patwardhan say that the statement in the Working Committee resolution (that after the arrest of the principal Congressmen the unguided masses acted almost spontaneously) is not a completely accurate statement of facts.

There were in Bombay over a dozen prominent workers from the various provinces who held responsible positions in the Congress organisation. There were several colleagues whose allegiance to the Gandhian creed of truth and non-violence could not be questioned.

"We were responsible, along with these other colleagues, for setting up an organisation to convey what we believed to be necessary directives to thousands of Congress workers and others who were still out of jail, and who were anxious to implement the resolution of 8th August 1942.

"We all recognised the urgent necessity of providing some guidance to the vast forces that were being unleashed. Instructions, directives, appeals and proclamations and the day to-day exhortations (broadcast by the Congress Radio) were issued from time to time almost immediately after your arrest in the name of the A. I. Congress Committee.

"If we speak of our doings, it is only with the desire to assume personal responsibility for whatever policies were formulated and implemented in the name of the A. I. Congress Committee throughout the entire period. Our authority for assuming such responsibility was never questioned and we received the unstinted support of large sections of our people.

"The spontaneous response of the people to the Congress call to act as free men is the greatest phenomenon of recent history.

Yet, once they had set their marching foot upon the path of revolt, they clamoured for effective and undaunted guidance. They asked to be organised to whatever degree the terror regime would allow. And their genius triumphed for a time, over all the machinations and force of the White Man's Raj. With respect to dislocation, secrecy and intensive forms of social boycott and other attacks upon authority, many specific instructions were issued. By and by such advice was widely accepted".

NON-VIOLENCE POLICY MAINLY PRAGMATIC

The letter continues that "with regard to non-violence, Congress policy has been mainly pragmatic. From time to time it has defined its scope within limits of practicability. The Working Committee has refused to follow in the past the strict logic of Gandhian non-violence. We have been ourselves profoundly influenced by the social values of Gandhiji's philosophy, but our acceptance of these values is essentially pragmatic and eclectic.

"The recognition that we fight an unjust system, than merely the personnel who administer it, is the essense of our stress upon non-killing. Respect for life and private property are also logical corollaries of the same. These values were stressed in all our directions issued under the Congress seal.

'Conditions of unprovoked military and police aggression however, create situations which are by no means easy to cope with. The register has often only two alternatives To resist with all his might in whatever manner seems practically or to submit Under the severest test, the Congress name was never tarnished by the counsel of submission.

'We took our cue from the Working Committee's resolution of July 1942. That all aggression must be resisted for any submission to it must mean the degradation of the Indian people and the continuation of their subjection. The Congress is anxious—to build resistance to any aggression on India by the Japanese or any foreign power.

'We also took note of Gandhiji's well-known observations upon Polish resistance. The offer of armed support to Britain under certain conditions was fresh in our minds. Again, the agreement in principle, after your release to join the Executive Council of the Viceroy when all that remained of the war was the reconquest of Burma and Indonesia, did not suggest that our approach was contrary to Congress policy.

'Otherwise, it would lead us to the fantastic conclusion that certain specific acts are only permitted in alliance with the British, but those same acts become heresy when employed against them. It is, however quite possible that under specific circumstances, even on pragmatic grounds, there would be room for honest differences. All that we have expressed heretofore relates only to the events during your forced detention.

'You have deliberately ignored the fact', continues the letter, 'that some of us have made a determined effort to provide direction and guidance in your absence. Further you are definite that the forms of resistance improvised were inconsistent with the Congress policy of non-violence. This leaves us two loopholes. We can attribute all that happened to the spontaneous urge of a people's revolt of which we were an insignificant anonymous focus and treat your judgment as a 'post factum' advice for the guidance of future conduct. We may in the alternative disown our share and accept your judgment in silence. Honest conviction, however prevents us from seeking this easier path. We were repeatedly warned that our activities might be disowned and our interpretation of the legitimate course of mass action repudiated. Nevertheless we persisted in putting our faith upon one pragmatic test, whatever is calculated to sustain and effectively express the maximum potential resistance of the people and to vitalise their will to be free, is the legitimate path of and stand by it and accept the consequences of such a step.

'We submit the Working Committee have done less than justice to their own good name for undaunted partisanship of freedom's cause by dismissing the momentous events of the past three years as a series of impulsive and heroic albeit undirected aberrations. We remain unconvinced of our error although we may recognise the average element of mistakes which persists in all organisational executive efforts.

"As for the immediate implications of the Working Committee's resolution it will lead to a totally fallacious postulate that a people's revolt hinges exclusively upon spontaneity

'Those who call upon the people to stake their lives upon one moment of total revolt bear the self-chosen obligation to provide an unbreakable core of guidance through organisation for the interchange of information and direction and for greater co-ordination of all the available resources of resistance.

"This is not less necessary and becomes even decisive when the pattern of resistance is essentially decentralised. The question, therefore, cannot be evaded whatever honest differences there may be regarding the technique of revolt."

PARLIAMENTARY TAIL WAGGING

"The consequences of the resolution in regard to the future course of the freedom struggle," says the letter, "are even more disturbing. The Congress since its partial legalisation has terminated the policy of non-co-operation while paradoxically it has also reaffirmed its faith in non-violence. The prevailing note of Congress policy according to the Working Committee's resolution is the Gandhian constructive programme. The programme is supposed to be subservient to these activities.

"Dare we, however, look at facts as they are, we will have to confess that it is the Parliamentary tail that is to-day wagging the Congress. Ere long it may drag us unwittingly upon the path of appeasement of Jinnah and collaboration with Imperialism as a lesser evil.

"The Congress is rolling upon a tidal wave of popular enthusiasm. There is no corresponding effort to vitalise the extensive network of extra Parliamentary organisation before an atmosphere of subservience to the Ministries sets in.

"The election manifesto outlines no precise plans for dealing with complex problems of public administration, neither have you sought from the people a clear mandate to combat and reject unconditionally any scheme for constitution-making which does not endow that body with the core and substance of full sovereignty.

"The basic trend of present policy is the possibility to negotiate an agreed method of transfer of full sovereignty to the Indian people after the elections.

"If this well meant effort fails, the Indian people will once more have to gravitate towards another mass struggle. The election campaign has, therefore, to serve as a prelude to that end. What are our own weapons for such a trial of strength. Upto now, even when it was unsuccessful Satyagraha has paid dividends in the form of election victories.

"Instead of anchoring us more firmly to the spirit of non-cooperation it has tended increasingly to succumb to the prevailing constitutionalist mentality."

CALCUTTA, Jan. 17. (A.P.I.): The British Government has sought to distort the balance of forces in the Congress by keeping in prison all such persons whose voice would be raised to challenge this growing need of collaboration. The Congress has uttered no effective protest against this calculated perversion of the voice of Indian Nationalism. This resolution on the other hand provides a spacious excuse to bureaucracy for prolonging all manner of restrictions on the liberties of these Congressmen whose pattern of activities stems from different sets of political values.

MAIN ISSUE.

The Congress has more than once sought the freedom to interpret the general policy of non-violence in a form not acceptable to Gandhiji.

On the 27th July, 1940, at the A.I.C.C. proceedings at Poona the Congress President threw a revealing light on these matters. The Indian National Congress is a political independence of the country. It is not an institution for organisation world peace.

Honestly we cannot go as far as Mahatma Gandhi wants us to go. Most of us felt that we were not able to take up the grave responsibility of declaring that we would completely eschew violence when we have to deal with widespread internal disorder in this country or external aggression.

In view of the succession of deliberate deviations from the strait and narrow path of non-violence, some of which were initiated by Mahatma Gandhi himself, (ref. the Gelder statement dated July 12, 1944) it seems a little difficult for us to appreciate the relevance of this onesided stress upon the implications of non-violence in the context of a total struggle.

We wish to make it plain that there is no influential section of political workers who advocate terrorism. The country in its upsurge of enthusiasm to-day recognises the crying need for reorganising all available forces without which any heroic resistance would be a nine days' wonder. It is this organisation that is grievously neglected in the dust of election mock fights. We hope the threats uttered by the Secretary of State and repeated by the Viceroy and some Governors about closing the door of peaceful negotiations have not indirectly evoked this gesture of good behaviour. We only hope our fears are without foundation."

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The source said the bombs were both sufficiently powerful to blow up the whole area including the station.

He reported the incident was hushed up to avoid embarrassing demonstrations or further trouble.

Ex Minister Of Greece Wounded

ATHENS, Jan. 17 (Reuter): M. Georges Zevgos, former Minister in the Cabinet of M. Georges Papandrou and member of the Central Committee of the Communist Party, was wounded to-day at Corinth in Peloponnesus, when he was about to address a crowd.

The incident is attributed to agents of "K. H. I." (the Right Wing) organisation by the Communist Party and the E.A.M. (the National Resistance front).

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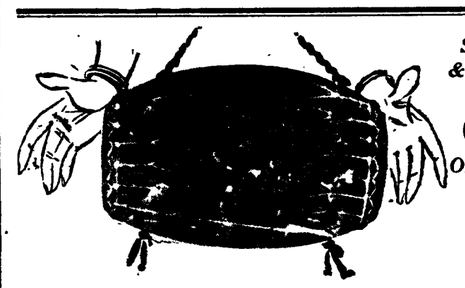

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ALL-INDIA WEATHER

POONA, January 18. (API): Following is the weather chart showing the maximum and minimum temperatures and rainfall in inches during the 1st 24 hours, total rainfall from 1st November 1945, and departure from the normal recorded at 08.00 hours I. S. T. on 18th Jan. 1946:—

Allahabad 79 53 0 1.0 minus 0.1 Baroda 85 84 0 0 nil. Bombay 79 56 0 0.4 minus 0.3. Calcutta 83 59 0 0 minus 1.1. Cawnpore 79 51 0 0 minus 1.0. Delhi 71 43 0 0 minus 0.9. Hyderabad (Dn) 87 58 0 0.1 minus 1.5. Karachi 75 55 0 0.1 minus 0.4. Lucknow 80 47 0 0 minus 0.8. Madras 83 66 0 16.5 minus 3.7. Mysore 84 61 0 2.7 minus 1.5. Nagpur 86 56 0 0 minus 1.4. Patna 80 54 0 0.1 minus 0.6. Surat 86 54 0 0 minus 0.5.

A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Men whose boast it is that ye
Come of fathers brave and free,—
If there breathe on earth a slave,
Are ye truly free and brave?

If ye do not feel the chain
When it works a brother's pain
Are ye not base slaves indeed,
Slaves unworthy to be freed?

—James Russell Lowell.

The Bombay Chronicle

ARTS FINDS HOME

The short period of thirty-five days beginning from 14th December, 1945 will, as a result of two outstanding functions, form a landmark in the art and cultural history of Bombay. First in order, comes the Vikram Exhibition of Indian culture which was also the first of its type ever organised anywhere and was pronounced as such by connoisseurs and several distinguished and enlightened visitors. Planned and organised by the Vikram Bimillennium celebrations committee it successfully provided a conspectus and emphasised the integrity of Indian art from its earliest beginnings. Moreover, it demonstrated, with a large collection of exquisite works of art, the unity and continuity of "Indian culture". If judged impartially, the exhibition hardly furnished any ground for the carping criticism indulged in by one of our local Anglo-Indian contemporaries. Without the least hesitation we can say that the exhibition was a comprehensive display of India's cultural wealth and not "an antiquarian's show as it somehow or other, appeared to be to the journal; and at the same time, we would like to point out that a few good words do not justify the attitude adopted by the latter. Appreciation, however, comes from a source which carries no small weight. During their visit to the Exhibition the Governor of Bombay and Lady Colville had evinced deep interest in several exhibits; and in his speech at the inauguration of the Bombay Art Society's annual exhibition on Friday the Governor made a noteworthy reference to the Exhibition in the words like "Quite recently I had the pleasure of visiting the Vikram Exhibition of Indian culture held in Bombay, which gave me a fuller realisation and mental picture of India's cultural heritage." As a pilgrim to the temple of art, Sir John Colville enjoyed a 'mental picture of India's cultural heritage' and was perhaps glad to miss 'the antiquarian's show' beloved of antiquated pedants. The undertakings of cultural and educational values like the Vikram Exhibition being pioneering ventures are not likely to be free from defects, but they should be approached sympathetically and encouraged with constructive and concrete suggestions, by the Fourth Estate and publicists, who shoulder a special responsibility in shaping and moulding art trends.

The Governor adopted a novel method of referring to one exhibition while speaking at another, but he, thereby, stressed the unity of the spirit of art. The inauguration of the Bombay Art Society's Exhibition assumes the importance of an outstanding event by virtue of the announcement made by the Governor of a munificent donation of four lakhs of rupees made by Sir Cowasji Jehangir to the Government of Bombay for the construction of an art gallery in the city, and also by virtue of the Government's decision to set apart for the building of the gallery a plot of land on the road leading from the Bandstand to Marine Drive. Sir Cowasji is a great connoisseur and patron of art. Following the noble traditions of the illustrious Jehangir family he has provided the city with an institution which will serve as a great stimulus to the progress of art, and for which Bombay will ever remain grateful to him. We congratulate Sir Cowasji on his generosity, public spirit and intense love for art. The Bombay Art Society, of which he is the President, is the only society in Western India, which organises annual exhibitions on an All-India basis and offers liberal encouragement to artists. It continued to hold its exhibitions even during the war. The present one—fifty-fifth in the series—has the brightness of a first peace-time show. It will, further, rank as a milestone in the history of the society, in view of the donation for an art gallery declared by Sir Cowasji at its inauguration. We are delighted to note the plea made by Sir Cowasji Jehangir in his speech for encouragement to hereditary artists and craftsmen, the descendants of those to whom India owes her glorious past. We endorse the views expressed by him that the help to them will be help to art in right direction and hope that the Government and art societies will formulate a scheme to pick up this neglected talent of the country and to encourage it to reach its fullness on the traditional lines.

Frankly Speaking

Bevin's Gesture

Mr. Ernest Bevin dramatised his address at the United Nations General Assembly with an interesting gesture. He welcomed the Trusteeship Council and announced that Britain had decided "to enter forthwith into negotiations for placing Tanganyika, the Cameroons and Togoland (the African mandated territories) under the Trusteeship system." We too have welcomed the Trusteeship Council as an improvement upon the old Mandates System. The latter could not work and was not intended to work. We cannot yet be quite certain that the Trusteeship Council will work either. Its purposes and ideals too can be defeated by the selfishness and insincerity of the leading Powers. But we feel that the Trusteeship Council has better possibilities of success in the sense of serving the interests of the peoples placed under its care; which is its only 'raison d'etre'. And we feel that the Trusteeship Council should be the logical successor of the Mandates Commission.

Certain Reservations

We are, therefore, glad that the British Government has decided to transfer those territories to the Trusteeship Council. Our reaction, however, is subject to certain reservations. The transfer will take place on "terms which are in our view" emphasised Mr. Bevin, "generally satisfactory." What may really be satisfactory may be unsatisfactory to Britain and Britain reserves the right of veto. The "terms," therefore, will decide whether or not the inhabitants face a definitely better future. Moreover, Mr. Bevin has made it clear that the British would retain the "obligation" of administering the territories as the agent of the Trusteeship Council. We cannot welcome this reservation because we hold that such an "obligation" must not be entrusted to any Power whose economic, political or strategical interests are served through the administering of territories under trust. This should automatically rule out all the Big Powers as agents of any territory under U.N.O. Trusteeship. We also hold that "colonies" held by Imperialist nations should, unless they are freed, be transferred to the charge of the Trusteeship Council.

Dutch Sales-Talk

The Dutch Foreign Minister, Van Klaffens, when asked in London about the Dutch offer to Indonesians refused to reveal any details but said "they are so acceptable that I fear they may embarrass the British in their position in Burma and Malaya." As advance sales talk this is certainly smart. But the technique of bogus prospectuses and share pushing is not going to succeed in a matter concerning the future of a whole people. M. Van Klaffens may or may not be right in "fearing" that his Government's offer to Indonesia will embarrass the British in their position in Burma and Malaya. What is material is the character and contents of the "so acceptable" new proposals. M. Van Klaffens refused to reveal their details. Yet it is possible to guess a picture of them.

An Imperialistic Offer

That, indeed, is supplied by the Dutch Minister for Overseas Territories, Professor Logemann himself. Addressing the Dutch Lower House he talked of 'the future of the Empire" and declared that "the Dutch policy of defence would undergo a complete change with the East Indies as the point of principal concentration and Europe assigned a secondary role." From this it is easy to deduce the essential nature of the Dutch offer. It involves, in a word, the maintenance of the imperialist hold by Holland on Indonesia. It is obvious that such an offer cannot be accepted. It is obvious also that the inevitable open break will not be the fault of Indonesians. The Indonesians, however, are ready for that break provided the British revise their policy even now. The British are there for certain objects other than that of restoring Dutch domination in Indonesia. They should quit Indonesia soon. But they must, in the meantime see to it that no Dutch troops land there.

Paradoxical

The Soviet writer, M. Diakov, considers it to be highly paradoxical that India, who enters into the United Nations Organisation which has proclaimed the principles of equality and self-determination of peoples, is excluded from the sphere of the application of those principles. But is this fact more paradoxical than that the membership of an organisation, which proclaims the principles of "equality" and "self-determination", should be presumed to be on a footing of equality and self-determination when, as a matter of known and demonstrable truth, not all who have obtained its membership enjoy sovereign status, but some of them at least are admittedly vassals of other members who have sponsored their membership for their own ulterior purposes? Can an organisation, whose membership is composed of freeman and their bond slaves who have been cloaked in liveries of freemen, be expected to strive for the propagation of the principles of equality and self-determination? Yet, such is the make-believe basis of the constitution of the body which is being boosted by its promoters as the "United Nations Organisation." Only an organisation whose members are genuinely sovereign States—sovereign in their external no less than their internal affairs—can be expected to strive for the extension of the principles of equality and self-determination among the nations of the world. Is it not time some honest member or members of the U.N.O. setting aside self-interest, tore down the facade so as to expose the hypocritical game of the Powers which are stage-managing the U.N.O. show at present, and enable a more genuinely beneficial and enduring organisation to take its place?

Agitation In Rewa

Pt. Nehru's Advice To States Congressmen

REWA, Jan. 17 (A.P.I.): Agitation is being carried on in Rewa State against the proposed trip to foreign countries of Maharajkumar Martandsinghji, heir-apparent of the Rewa State, reported to have been arranged by the Political Department against the wishes of his parents. Some State-Congress leaders who actively participated in this agitation recently waited on Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru to seek his advice and guidance in this matter. They also acquainted Pandit Nehru with Maharaja of Rewa's recent declaration regarding the establishment of Responsible Government in the state and requested Pandit Nehru to guide them how to implement the Maharaja's declaration to achieve Responsible Government.

It is understood Pandit Nehru advised them in clear terms that the Maharaja's personal and private affairs should not be mixed up with the question of Responsible Government, and nothing should be done which may create unnecessary conflict between the Political Department and Rewa State authorities. Pandit Nehru also told, it is reported that Congressmen in Rewa State should participate in the State agitation only after consulting and taking permission from the United Provinces Provincial Congress Committee.

Walk Over For Bihar Congressman

DHANBAD, Jan. 18. (A.P. I.): The Congress candidate Mr. Purshottam Chanhan has been declared elected uncontested to the Bihar Legislative Assembly from the North Manbhum General Rural Constituency.

"ATTITUDE AND LATITUDE"

By "BIRBAL"

(The views expressed in this column are not always necessarily those of the Editor.—Editor "B.C.")

The Muslim Leaguer 'Dawn' has been greatly upset at the success of Gandhiji's "prayer meetings" in Bengal. Foaming at the mouth, it has called upon the Mahatma to stop, what it is pleased to call, "the political pantomine." The argument is characteristic: "Muslims cannot help considering it as a sacrilege when, under the pretence of treating all religions as 'equal', a politician makes it part of an insidious plan to treat the Quran and Islamic prayer as an 'also ran'. "The simultaneous chanting of Hindu, Muslim and Christian prayers is conceived by the 'Dawn' as "intolerable" and "dishonourable" to Islam and the Muslims. In the League's 'wellanchauung' honouring other religions is "dishonourable" and toleration is deemed "intolerable"! Once an impossible position is taken up, one can maintain it only by becoming more and more absurd. Like Red Queen in 'Alice in the Wonderland', one has to run faster and faster to keep at the same spot!

Not satisfied with its attack on Gandhiji, the 'Dawn' has thought it fit to besmirch the sacred memory of BIRBAL'S friend and patron, Shahenshah Akbar, "one of India's misguided monarchs of old, Akbar, miscalled the 'great,'" also tried to equalise all religions and invented a hybrid faith called Din-i-Illahi 'Dawn's' knowledge of history is on par with its understanding of politics and philosophy. My master Akbar, never created a hybrid, he sought to draw the essence of all religions and found it, as all seekers of Truth have discovered, to be the same. BIRBAL is reminded of the classic poem of his friend, Abul Fazl, that quiveringly conveys the meaning of Din-i-Illahi:

"O, God, in every temple I see people that worship Thee, and in every language spoken I hear people praise thee.
Polytheism and Islam feel after Thee.
Each religion says, "Thou art One, without equal".
If it be a Mosque, people murmur Thy holy prayer and if it be a Christian Church people ring Thy bell from love of Thee.
Sometime I frequent the Christian cloister, and sometime the Mosque,
But it is Thou whom I search from Temple to Temple.
Thy elect have no dealings with either heresy or orthodoxy: for neither of them stands behind the screen of Truth.
Heresy to the heretic, and religion to the orthodox: But the dust of the petal belongs to the heart of the perfume seller".

The 'Dawn' cannot consort with the "elect", absorbed in its mendacious propaganda it knows not what shines behind the screen of Truth. Akbar had the heart of a perfume-seller and he gathered the sacred flower-dust. That has been India's immemorial quest—to grow the heart of a perfume seller. Not all the Ukases of the Qaid, miscalled Azam, can turn her away from it. Without it the dawn is a False Dawn!

Absconders' Protest

Th Open Letter to the Congress president recently published in the names of Aruna Asaf Ali and Achyut Patwardhan, leaders of the Resistance Movement in India, deserves thoughtful perusal. As they lucidly point out the controversy in the ranks of Congressmen is not on the question of violence, but whether a revolt should exclusively hinge on spontaneity or that there should be an unbreakable core of guidance through organisation. "For lack of this recognition", observe the two rebels, "we witness the depressing fact of outstanding organisational talent being diverted in a lop-sided endeavour to generate enthusiasm without a corresponding effort to convert it for revitalising the instruments of resistance". The handling of the I.N.A. trial proves this contention to the hilt. There is another significant observation of theirs that we may ignore at our peril: "It is the parliamentary tail that is to-day wagging the Congress". The neglect of organisational tasks flows from this fatal defect. Unless the focus is readjusted, the gains of 1942 will get scattered. When we are absorbed in the dusky clamour of elections, it is in the fitness of things that the incandescent voice of uncompromising resistance should speak out.

Baby U.N.O.

The Big-Baby nicknamed U.N.O. and alleged to be the White Hope of Humanity is having its first public outing in London. The show stirs emotions but emotions far from those of hope or faith. Can it possibly escape the curse of its parentage and the overwhelming circumstances of its creation? Within the last thirty years the civilized part of it has plunged mankind into two world wars in which and as a result of which men, women and children died in millions, cities and entire territories were laid waste and hunger, destitution and disease all but conquered both the victors and the vanquished and also the innocent. 1914-18 produced chaos and gave warning of worse. They managed the chaos temporarily and they created a League of Nations in response to the warning. Result? Years of rape and pillage and continued exploitation of helpless nations and territories in Asia, Africa and Europe which led inevitably to 1939-44. There is the same note of grim warning that the chaos called peace has sounded now save in far far graver tones and in terms of literally limitless consequences. But it is being responded to in exactly the same way. When they said peace the creators of that dead international freak of Geneva meant peace in which to exploit and self-aggrandize. That objective in one breeds a similar objective in others who, by heaven alone knows what laws of justice and humanity, feel they deserve the british privilege or feel they were unjustly deprived of it. The objective worked simultaneously on all and interacted. It produced the second world war as it had produced the first.

This is history which nobody now pretends to deny. And it is history which is being repeated. The creators of U.N.O. also talk peace but mean peace for self-aggrandizement and for exploiting others. With one exception the nations that count have already shown their imperialistic teeth and even started biting. No matter how the face is painted, whether red or pink or white, the teeth are there, some dug into flesh and bone as of yore, others digging into new chunks of this unfortunate world now. And every one is growling at others. Some one has said that U. N. O. is meeting against the background of the Atom. True and yet not true. The real background is imperialism and the super wolfish appetite of imperialists, however clothed. The Atom Bomb is denounced as a Frankenstein's monster. Why blame the Bomb? It is just a helpless, if also monstrous instrument of the Monster which drives the Big Powers, the socalled leaders of humanity. What chance has any U.N.O. against this monster? If you have any doubt, read the proceedings at London and read between the lines too.

Coals To Newcastle

Apropos all that has been said and written about Indianization of our armed forces here is a bit of exclusive news for "Birbal's" readers. This much is a published fact that out of nearly 5 000 war-time officers the Royal Indian Navy is going to retain only 66 Indian officers in addition to the regular peace time quota. The rest will be or rather are being demobbed rapidly—most will go by April '46 and all will go by April 1947. What has not been published however, is that while our boys are being turned out to face acute unemployment, four hundred British officers are being imported from the Royal Navy to man the Indian Navy. Why? We used to learn that to carry coal to Newcastle is an act of absurdity but what if Newcastle be first emptied of its coal to make place for the imported commodity? It is then sane imperialism.

Is It True

Mysterious resignations always arouse curiosity as in the case of Soli Batliwala, ex-communist and now an active worker for the I.N.A. relief fund. Well, in Andhra a group of students asked him the direct question, as to why he resigned. His reply was that the Party had asked him to go to America to do propaganda against Vijaya Lakshmi Pandit but he refused. Then he was asked to go to China—the Communist part and shout down "Chiang". He agreed and called for the relevant files. Unfortunately someone bungled and the wrong file fell in his hands. It contained correspondence between Maxwell and P. C. Joshi which did little credit to Joshi. That did it and Mr. Batliwala resigned. Such is the report and 'Birbal' is open to confirmation or denial.

This India

"Rajah of Urki a State in Simla Hills died recently at Hardwar. At this the State authorities ordered all male subjects to get their heads shaved and all women were prohibited from wearing ornaments. No marriages were allowed for a specified period."

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TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT

Opening the resumed debate in the U.N.O. General Assembly, Mr. Bevin said that the establishment of war crimes meant that war was outlawed. "An aggressor, therefore, can no longer look forward to the halo of glory and statues created to his memory. Instead, he will be remembered by the scaffold and the hangman's rope."—Reuter.

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Once more—this time at Patna—Prince Liaquat Ali Khan has repeated his assertion that "it was Muslims who first initiated the freedom fight ....It was the Muslims who bore the brunt of the 1921 movement...."

We are astonished at the Prince's thoughtless references to "the 1921 movement" and to his persistence in embarrassing his Qaid-e-Azam.

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If Mr. Bevin is ready to accept a one man-one vote World Parliament, "why," asks Comrade Palme Dutt, "does he refuse India the right to elect a Constituent Assembly by universal suffrage for the more modest purpose of governing themselves?"

That is why Mr. M. A. Jinnah—er—omitted to send a message supporting the Parliamentary candidature of a man like Comrade Palme Dutt.

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Comrade Palme Dutt also complains that "atomic diplomacy bedevils international relations. Military operations continue in Indonesia and India...."

And in Persia, too.

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Inaugurating the first session of the Security Council, Mr. Makin, its Australian Chairman stressed the great principles which the Security Council was charged to defend.

We take it that the great principles do not include one relating to racial discriminations and prejudices.

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Mr. Stettinius (U.S.A.) said: We have a great deal of organisational work to do before we can complete the security system intended by the Charter."

For instance, a few territorial liquidations and a number of—er—democratic suppressions here and there.

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M. Gromyko (U.S.S.R.) wished in the name of the Soviet Delegation to express the hope that the Security Council will fulfil the great historic task which has been given to it by the Charter."

Subject, of course, to orders issued to it from time to time by——yes, you've guessed it.

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Mr. Ernest Bevin (G.B.) said: "I can only hope it (the Security Council) will be successful...."

We, too, can "only hope" it will be successful....

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According to a U.S. magazine, Generalissimo Stalin will, when the post-war scene has been stabilised, "half withdraw" from political activity, hand the Premiership back to M. Molotov and become Secretary-General of the Communist Party.

This American rumour even we are inclined to believe in principle.

How Reserve Bank Can Help Industries

NEED FOR AMENDMENT OF LAW

(BY S. H. MEHTA).

The Planning Member to the Government of India has suggested organisation of an Industrial Finance Corporation. Industrial finance is an urgent necessity, but it is not necessary to have a separate institution by providing costly extra jobs. What is contemplated can be achieved by having an additional section to the Reserve Bank of India Act, say as section 18 (A) empowering the Bank to undertake commitments maturity of which does not exceed five years. In this regard we can copy section 13B of the Federal Reserve Act of the U.S.A. For the various dates shown in the table above, industrial loans averaged over four million dollars.

In India, we have Acts with beneficent provisions, but, unfortunately, such provisions are sometimes kept a dead letter. This is true of sub-clauses (a) and (b) of clause (2) of section 17 of the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934. The said sub-clause (a) authorises the Bank to purchase and rediscount bills of exchange and promissory notes, drawn on payable in India and arising out of 'bona fide' commercial or trade transactions bearing two or more good signatures, one of which shall be that of a Scheduled Bank, and maturing within ninety days from the date of such purchase or rediscount, exclusive of days of grace. Under sub-clause (b) the Bank can purchase and rediscount bills of exchange and promissory notes, drawn in and payable in India and bearing two or more good signatures, one of which shall be that of a Scheduled Bank or a provincial co-operative Bank, and drawn or issued for the purpose of financing seasonal agricultural operations or the marketing of crops and maturing within nine months from the date of such purchase or rediscount, exclusive of days of grace. It is apparent that financing of trade, commerce, and agriculture can be effectively undertaken.

CREATING ORGANISED BILL MARKET

When banks in the United Kingdom approach the Bank of England and banks in the U.S.A. approach the Federal Reserve Banks for rediscounting commercial paper held by them to better their cash position or even to do additional business, it is inconceivable that banks in India will not offer similar business to our Reserve Bank. In the first instance, the Reserve Bank should show its willingness, by a circular letter, because otherwise Scheduled Banks may be shy to approach it fearing "NO" for an answer. The Act does not make clear the limit to which business with each bank can be done, hence there should be a proviso to enable each Scheduled Bank to offer commercial and/or agricultural paper to the extent of, say 50 per cent of its paid-up capital and reserve fund. Such a step will create an organised Bill market in the leading cities of India along the lines of London and New York markets for commercial paper.

Supposing that the scheduled banks do not approach our Reserve Bank for some reason or the other, it can show its readiness to entertain such business by undertaking a few transactions in open market under clause (1) of section 18 which gives it power of direct discount of commercial or agricultural paper though it does not bear a signature of a Scheduled Bank or a Provincial Co-operative Bank. The ice must be broken. This class of business should be transacted at 1 per cent above the bank rate. A few transactions under this clause will inspire confidence among the Scheduled Banks to create business under Section 17.

After the business in internal bills is fairly developed, business in the purchase and rediscount of external bills should be undertaken.

HOLDING OF COMMERCIAL PAPER

Commercial paper can form a part of currency backing under clause (3) of section 33 and the relative portion reads: "such bills of exchange and promissory notes payable in British India or in Burma as are eligible for purchase by the Bank under sub-clause (a) or sub-clause (b) of clause (2) of section 17 or under clause (1) of section 18." There is a proviso to this clause with respect to the extent of rupee securities to be held. A further proviso ought to be added to provide for the Reserve Bank holding a minimum of Rs. 15 crores worth of such eligible commercial paper in its portfolio pertaining to the assets of the Issue Department with a maximum of 20 per cent of the total notes issued. Commercial paper is self-liquidating. Hence, such a further provision will make our currency elastic in the sense that it will expand with brisk demand from trade, and it will automatically contract when trade demand slackens. It will also establish an organised bill market, which is the missing link in India's economic credit, and financial structure.

There is a great need for an Indian Bank Act, but the need to amend the Reserve Bank of India Act, 1934, simultaneously, is greater. The amendments suggested, for the time being, will act as a tonic capable of leading India to her proper economic growth to enhance her purchasing power, and strengthen her banking structure.

FIRING AT KRANJI CAMP

Further Evidence At Third I. N. A. Trial

DELHI CANTT., Jan. 18. (A.P.I.): The cross-examination of the twelfth prosecution witness, Major Hassan, was continued today by Defence Counsel, before the Third I. N. A. Court Martial trying Subedar Shingara Singh and Jamadar Fateh Khan.

Major Hassan said he was lunching in the mess with other officers when he heard rifle fire. He came out in the verandah. No one else in the mess came out. Witness could see the barracks from the verandah. The firing altogether lasted for five minutes. It was irregular firing.

Questioned by the Court, witness said no 'post mortem' was carried out on the three dead persons.

Questioned by the Judge Advocate, Col. Standing, witness said although he did not examine any of the dead persons he saw Zaman's (one of the three dead persons) head shattered and brain flown off. He did not see bullet wounds on the other two.

LT. PARSHOTAM DAS' EVIDENCE

Lt. Parshotam Das of 22 Mountain Regiment, the next prosecution witness, said he was taken prisoner on Feb. 15, 1942. He was sent to the Bidadari Camp with his unit. From there they moved to the Seleta Camp. A Major of the Indian Army told them there that it was the best time for them to attain India's freedom and asked them to join the I. N. A.

Witness said all the men of his unit except 437 Muslims and witness joined the I. N. A. The non-Volunteers were transferred to the Kranji Camp. Seventy of the non-volunteers, however, remained behind. Witness was in charge of the party when they went to the Kranji Camp.

Witness said on August 23, 1942 accused Fatek Khan came to the Kranji Camp and handed a chit to the Camp Commandant, Lt. Rashid. The Commandant gave the chit to witness. It was written on the chit that some men (whose names were written on the chit) should be sent to the concentration camp. Witness wrote on the back of the chit that the men did not wish to go.

INDISCRIMINATE FIRING

Witness said on the following day the two accused accompanied by a guard of 12 men arrived in the camp in a lorry. Witness heard rifle firing from his quarters. He saw some firing later. The firing was rapid and indiscriminate.

Witness said on a later date two I. N. A. officers and a Japanese came there. I. N. A. officers told the Japanese that the men of witness's unit had opened fire and the I. N. A. had opened fire in self-defence. Witness protested and said men of his unit did not have any arms. The examination of the witness had not concluded when the Court adjourned till tomorrow morning.

Fragmented Karnatak

(PATIL PUTTAPPA)

Perhaps there is no other province in India which is so much misunderstood as Karnatak. Its present position may well be compared with that of poor little Cindrella of the old legendary tales. There are people, who, even today in this year of Grace, do not actually know what Karnatak really means. But it is none of their fault. There is no such thing as Karnatak chalked and marked on the map of India.

It seems that Providence has so far been persistently adverse to the synthesis and compactibility of Karnatak. This proposition can be proved beyond certainty with statistics drawn from recorded history. After the fall of the Vijayanagar Empire—the sheet-anchor of Kannada culture and civilization—Karnatak paled into obscurity. A homogeneous, synthetic and compact culture was thus mercilessly dismembered. The area linguistically one and indivisible was shared amongst its victors as plunders of war. Two centuries later on, that unchallengeable Tippu, the 'Tiger of Mysore", attempted to bring Karnatak broken and fragmented, under one rule. But that attempt proved to be a costly one. Shattered to the core, Karnatak was to be segregated further into still more divisions.

The first book available in Kannada dates back to 927 A.D. It is a work on Poetics—The Kaviraja Marga. The author of that work points out the area that comprised the Karnatak province. In those days it extended from the Cauvery in the south to Godavari in the north. To see once again all that area with the distinguishing mark of Karnatak on it is indeed a bold dream. The Karnatak people have no such Hitlerite ambitions. They only want their legitimate rights restored to them.

UNDER 20 RULERS!

Karnatak, at present, is experiencing the yoke of twenty rulers. In Bombay the interests of the Karnatak districts are ignored since they are at the tail-end of the province. In Madras they are in such an ignominious position that its inhabitants are denied even the primary right of getting education through their mother tongue. Kannada people are subjected to untold miseries and troubles and if I venture to narrate even a few of them I fear, I may outstep the limits of precision.

Karnatak has been divided into Mysore, British Karnatak (Dharwar, Belgaum, Bijapur, Karwar and some parts of Sholapur in Bombay—Bellary Mangalore and some parts of Salem Coimbatore and Anantpur in Madras), Coorg, Hyderabad (Raichur, Bidar, and Gulburga), Goa, Sangli, Kolhapur, Miraj Senior and Junior Jamkhandi, Jath, Mudhol, Ramdurg, Savanur, Kopbal, Kurandawad, Vadgaon, Akalkot, Sondur and some other parts.

CONGRESS PLAN OF UNIFICATION

It was at the time of its Nagpur session, the Congress recognised the linguistic homogeneity of a people and created provinces on that basis. In that assesment Karnatak too, though belated, got recognition as a separate province. Now, it is to be carved out as a separate administrative unit. At the present as a matter of expediency the Kannada people are demanding the unification of the area under British rule. There is nothing fantastic or unnatural about the demand. Statistics show that this Karnatak, unlike the parasitic provinces as Sind and the Frontier which live on subsidies from the Central Government, shall be a surplus province. Financially its claims for a separate province are better than those of Assam and Orissa. Today and tomorrow the Karnatak Unification Conference is to hold its 10th annual sessions in the city. It is well and good if its demand is fulfilled. Otherwise Bengal of 1905 may repeat in Karnatak. Let Heavens fall—Justice must be done.

RASHID'S TRIAL

That I. N. A. Will Free India, Witness Did Not Believe

DELHI CANTT., Jan. 18. (A.P.I.): When the general court martial trying captain Abdur Rashid reassembled today, Naik Noor Jamal, prosecution witness was further cross-examined by Mr. Abdul Aziz, the defence counsel for about twenty minutes.

NOT A SAGE

The witness said that he did not know how much time it took them in a lorry from the naval base to Bedadari camp. The witness was not a sage to tell the exact or the approximate time.

The next prosecution witness was sepoy Gul

The court adjourned for lunch

Cross-examined by the defence counsel, Mr. Abdul Aziz Khan, the witness said, Captain Rashid was not present when he was tied to a tree or hung upside down in an air raid shelter.

Replying to the defence counsel's question, the witness said that it was a fact that he joined the I. N. A.

HE DID NOT BELIEVE IT

Q: The I. N. A. persons were fighting for the freedom of India. Am I right in saying so?

A: I. N. A. persons used to say that they were fighting for the freedom of India. The world may have believed this. I did not.

The court adjourned till Saturday for further prosecution evidence.

Mayor's Reception To British Delegation

Conservative Member Does Not Wish To Tarnish Reputation

That there was in every heart in England irrespective of party a strong affection for India, and a desire to do their duty by her was stressed by Mr. Godfrey Nicholson, a Conservative member of the British Parliamentary Delegation at a reception given to the members of the party by Dr. Jos. Alban D'Souza, Mayor of Bombay at the Corporation Hall on Friday evening.

Mr. Nicholson also stated that the delegation would form a nucleus of fresh and well-informed opinion in Parliament.

Mr. Muriel Wallhead Nichol, a Labour member said earlier that, no delegation had come to India before with greater freedom and less restraint than the present one.

Besides these two, Brigadier A. R. W. Low, Major W. Wyatt and Mr. A. J. Bottomley were present at the reception.

With the arrival on Friday of Mr. R. Richards, leaders of the delegation, Mr. Reginald Sorensen, Lord Chorley, and Mr. Hopkin Morris, all the members of the delegation are now in Bombay.

TO MEET CONGRESS LEADERS

The entire party will meet a group of Congress leaders in the city including Mr. B. G. Kher, Dr. M. D. D. Gilder, Mr. Mangaldas Pakvasa, Mr. M. Y. Nurie, Mr. Nagindas T. Master and Mr. S. K. Patil at the Council Hall to-day (Saturday.)

On Friday Mr. Wallhead Nichol, Mr. Godfrey Nicholson, Lord Munster, Mr. A. J. Bottomley and Brigadier A. R. W. Low spent three hours interviewing the local leaders of various shades of political opinion at the Secretariat. All the members made copious notes of the discussions. The League case was placed before them by Messrs. I. I. Chundrigar, A. K. Sheikh and H. A. Sheikh, while Messrs. Narayanlal Bansilal, K. H. Dhemdhere and Mr. M. N. Talpade placed the Hindu Mahasabha case before the delegation.

Among others who met the delegation were Mr. B. J. Deorukkar, Mr. R. R. R. Bhole, Mr. B. H. Varale and Mr. H. K. Patel, on behalf of the Scheduled Caste Federation. The first to meet the members were Miss Maniben Kara, Mr. V. B. Karnik, Prof. G. D. Parikh and Dr. M. R. Shetty, representing the Indian Federation of Labour.

Sir Bomanji Wadia, Vice-Chancellor of the University of Bombay and Dr. J. H. Taylor, Principal, Wilson College also met the members.

Mr. Sorensen, member of the Labour Party and the most consistent spokesman of India and the author of 'India and the Atlantic Charter' is putting up with Mr. G. P. Hutheesing while Mrs. Nichol is putting up with Mr. Bhulabhai Desai.

DAY'S HIGHLIGHT

The highlight of the day's activities was the reception by the Mayor. The entrance to the Corporation itself was decked with greens and the main table was laid with floral designs. The members were loaded with garlands and bouquets which seemed to please them very much. Mrs. Nichol was so enchanted that she cried out: "I wish I could take them to England".

IMPORTANT PIECE OF WORK

The Mayor in the course of his speech said that the members of the Delegation were undertaking a piece of work which was of vital importance to this great nation. That India had legitimate grievances and aspirations there was no doubt whatsoever. The presence of the Delegation was itself sufficient proof of the substance of these grievances.

No political party or individual of any standing had refused to co-operate with the members of the Delegation, because their method of approach was completely free from official or bureaucratic influence was duly appreciated. It was true that there was no fresh knowledge to be gained but the heart-to-heart contact which they would establish would be of great help.

TWO OBJECTIVES

They had come here with two objectives; first, to gain first-hand information about the conditions in India and secondly to study the long-range expectations of the Indian people. They were to find out whether the feelings of the masses justified the claim of the leaders. There was no doubt, the Mayor thought, that the Indian masses were becoming fast conscious of their political, social and economic needs. Their tour in Northern India and in Bombay would have provided them proof of such consciousness. He did not want to anticipate the nature of their impressions. But he only wanted them to be good, fair and just to India.

NOT A GOVT. DELEGATION

Mrs. Muriel Wallhead Nichol, thanked the Mayor for the warmth of the reception that had been given to the members of the Delegation. India was passing through troublous times and she did not wait to say one word about the political situation but she could say this, that no delegation could have come with greater freedom of action and less restraint imposed upon it than this delegation to India. They were members of a Parliamentary Delegation and not a Government Delegation. They were not under any obligation to report or advise to the Government. They had come to meet friends in India and to meet people engaged in the vital work of India's freedom. They had met people and listened to their cases, which were placed before them so sincerely and well. She could honestly say that the British Government was completely, sincere in its professions towards India and looked forward to the time when India should be free to build up her economic position and security in order to make a glorious land to live in for the Indians. They had seen the glory and poverty of India, her loveliest architecture and some of the loveliness of the countryside.

MOVING SIGHTS

She would like to say one word more. They had been asked how they could see all that they should in such a short time. She thought that in the course of the six weeks' stay, they could meet all their friends who would be in a position to mould the destinies of India.

They had seen in the course of their tour some of the conditions obtaining in India. They had been moved by the sight. She was sometimes moved to tears. She felt confident that "India shall be as you yourself want it." She would take back wonderful impressions about India.

HAD LOST HIS HEART TO INDIA

Mr. Godfrey Nicholson, a Conservative member of the Delegation, said that although some of the members of the Delegation were still in the air, he thanked the Mayor of Bombay for the token of friendship and the traditional hospitality of the Gateway of India. He was no stranger to Bombay. He spent some months in Bombay eleven years ago. He had lost his heart to India and it was always his ambition to come back to India. Therefore he felt greatly pleased.

THINK CHARITABLY

There were three points which he wanted to make. First, they had a difficult task in front of them. During the last fortnight, delegations of various kinds had met them and in perfect sincerity had expressed opinions which were in conflict with each other. He asked them to imagine their difficulties and think charitably of their attempts to understand and judge between the conflicting opinions.

LACK OF KINDLINESS

Secondly, he pointed out that although political conflicts were present in any country, they were very serious in India. The basis of all political democracy was that conflicts should not become so deep as to turn into hatreds. There was a great famine in the world, a famine in brotherliness and love. There was not enough brotherliness and kindliness, and therefore, he wanted to tell the people of India not to spread that famine.

WILL DO THEIR BEST

Thirdly, he gave his pledged word that they would do their level best in the Parliament. They had the reputation of being a freedom-loving democratic nation. They had no intention of allowing that reputation to be tarnished. Whatever they would do would not be easy. It might not be universally acceptable but they would try to do what they thought was right. They asked the Indian people to think kindly of them because they were going to do what they thought was right.

Mr. A. G. Bottomley, in a brief address, said that he too was a Mayor of a London Borough—Walthamstow. Of the 30,000 houses in that borough, 20,000 had been damaged; but all those people in all their sufferings wanted him to carry their goodwill to the people of any part of India he visited.

BR. DELEGATION'S ARRIVAL IN MADRAS

MADRAS, Jan. 18 (A.P.I.): Members of the British Parliamentary delegation are arriving in Madras in three batches, two of the batches on January 22 and the third on January 23. They will leave for Calcutta by air on the morning of January 25.

The first batch, consisting of Mr. Reginald Sorensen and Brig. Low will arrive by air from Hyderabad on Tuesday afternoon. The second batch, which includes the leader of the delegation, Mr. Richards, Maj. Wyatt, Mrs. Nichol, Mr. Hopkin Morris and Mr. Bottomley, will also reach Madras about the same time by air from Cochin.

The third batch consisting of Lord Munster, Mr. Nicholson and Lord Chorley will arrive by train from Bombay on Wednesday morning.

All the members of the delegation will leave together for Calcutta by air on the morning of January 25.

MUNSHI MEETS WYATT

BOMBAY, Jan. 18 (A.P.I.): Mr. K. M. Munshi, former Home Minister of Bombay, met Major Woodrow Wyatt, a member of the British Parliamentary delegation, today and discussed with him for over 45 minutes the political situation in India with particular reference to a United India.

HINDU SABHA'S MEMORANDUM TO BR. DELEGATION

In the course of a memorandum to the British Parliamentary Delegation, Mr. Narayanlal Bansilal, President Bombay Provincial Hindu Sabha said:—It is our confirmed opinion that the time has come when India must be placed on the footing of equality with other Nations in the British Commonwealth of Nations.

PAKISTAN ISSUE

We admit that today there is a great tension of feeling between Hindus and Muslims in India, but we think that this is the outcome of the way the British administration has worked in this country since 1857. We do not believe that either Pakistan or self-determination to any territorial unit or the introduction of parity principle will solve any communal problem in this country

We abhor the principle of separate electorates on the basis of religion among members of any State and therefore declare ourselves to be entirely in favour of joint electorates throughout the country. We have always advocated the democratic principle of one man having one vote. We stand by 'adult franchise' in that behalf.

Our attitude towards the Scheduled Classes is one of comity and equality. The repurcussions of the activities of the Muslim League are tending to a desire on their part also for separate electorates and we beg to suggest that this tendency is bound to grow unless it is nipped in the bud.

As regards the question of Indian States, the Mahasabha holds that they must form part and parcel of the Indian Federation and must be on the footing of equality with the Indian Provinces as regards the mode of administration etc. The smaller states which are not economic units, should be amalgamate among themselves so as to form a reasonable constituent unit.

PRINCES WILL NOT HOLD UP CONSTITUTIONAL PROPRESS

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any person merely by reason of his religion, caste or creed, in regard to public employment, office of power or honour, or in the exercise of any trade or calling.

7. There should be no 'begar' (forced labour).

ESSENTIAL PRINCIPLES

"It is reaffirmed that the administration shall be based on the following essential principles which would be strictly enforced where they do not obtain at present:

1. The administration of justice must vest in an impartial and competent judiciary independent of the Executive, and there must be suitable provision for the impartial adjudication of disputes between individuals and the State.

2. The rulers in their own States should clearly demarcate administrative budgets from civil lists and fix the latter at a reasonable percentage of the ordinary revenue.

3. The incidence of taxation must be fair and equitable and a definite and substantial portion of the revenue must be allocated for the benefit of the people, particularly in the nation-building departments.

"It is strongly recommended that the essential measures recommended in this declaration should, where they are not in force, be adopted without delay.

This declaration made spontaneously and earnestly is inspired by faith in the peoples of Indian States and in the future destiny of the States. It represents the will of the rulers to implement these decisions without reservation or delay. May it lead to increasing freedom from want and fear, and freedom of mind and its expression? May it grow on the sure foundation of mutual love, tolerance, service and responsibility.'

BIKANER'S SUPPORT

The Maharaja of Bikaner seconding said it might be a matter of some surprise that such a resolution should have to be moved at all, but, he added, calumny died hard and the idea, for which there had never been any real justification, had persisted that the Indian Princes for some mysterious reason were less interested in the freedom and greatness of India than their brethren across the borders. His Highness recalled that a similar cry was raised during the Montagu-Chelmsford discussions and his father, the late Maharaja of Bikaner, gave the lie direct to that allegation and it was received with enthusiasm all over India. His late Highness reiterated the Princes' stand in 1930.

The Speaker declared: "We the Princes of India are no less patriotic than others and we no less than others recognise the obligation that every son of the Motherland has in working towards the achievement of her destiny. We shall indeed be worthy of no sympathy or consideration at the hands of anyone if we denied our country, forgot our obligations to her, or remained backward in pressing her claims. The Princes along with the rest of India's sons in every walk of life wish to see this beloved land of our birth great and respected in the world, attain her full stature in the family of nations and fulfil the great responsibility that falls to her by her history, tradition and culture in the affairs of the new world."

The Maharaja of Bikaner gave wholehearted support to the declaration made by the Chancellor and said that the cause both of the State and of India as a whole would be strengthened and the interests of the Princes served by implementing without delay the principles enunciated in that declaration. His Highness appealed to brother Princes to give effect to the declaration wherever existing conditions required adjustment.

WILL MAKE LEEWAY

The Rajas of Bilaspur, Korea and Mandi supported the resolution.

The Raja of Mandi said: "Rulership need not be identified with unmitigated autocracy. The rulers of Indian States have always been appreciative of the desirability of associating their people with the Government. I have no doubt that where such measures have so far fallen short of the general standard which has now been declared by our Chancellor on behalf of Indian States, the leeway will be made up by us. It would, however, be unfortunate if this were to give the impression that what has been stated to-day embodies the last word in the subject. Nature demands change and anything which becomes static must cease to exist."

Referring to the political situation in India, the Raja said that the good of the country lay in its unity based on justice and fairplay for every community and interest comprising the social structure of India. He thought that the differences of ideology among the major political parties of British India were based on a struggle for political power. If the struggle unfortunately resulted in breaking up the unity of India which had been achieved through strenuous efforts extending over a century and a half, the Indian States would have to take such appropriate action as the situation demanded. Keeping always in view the good of their people and the country as a whole.

HERITAGE OF THE STATES

The Raja of Korea said: "The rich heritage which history has bequeathed to the States, the fact that in the present times it has been their privilege to achieve a marked degree of success in excluding from their States communal dissensions, are factors in building up a tradition for the role which the future will call upon them to play."

The resolution was passed.

RELATIONS WITH CROWN

Replying to the Crown Representative's opening address, the Chancellor said: "We are grateful to Your Excellency for the reassurance that there is no intention to initiate any change in our relationship with the Crown or the rights guaranteed by our Treaties and Engagements without our consent. We have already declared that we have no intention of withholding our consent to any adjustments which may be required under the future constitutional arrangements in India and which we consider reasonable in the wider interests of India. We desire our Motherland to occupy her due place among the great nations of the world. The higher the status of an Indian, the greater must be his sense of humiliation to the continuance of the present political deadlock in the country."

ATTACHMENT SCHEME

Referring to the attachment scheme the Chancellor said: "We take it as understood that the arrangements envisaged under this suggestion are intended to proceed on the basis of mutual consent and do not exclude suitable schemes of joint services between some bigger and some smaller States where these may be evolved by mutual agreement. In fact some of the smaller States have admittedly efficient administrations and are willing to do all they can, individually where necessary or through suitable voluntary schemes of joint services, to effect such further improvements as may be possible and required to meet local conditions. The Chamber of Princes has already stated its view that where individual States cannot themselves afford the agreed standards of efficiency required in modern times, they should do so by making suitable arrangements with some other State or States. We are convinced that it is possible to ensure the objective in view without impairing the continuance of the ruling dynasty, or the integrity and autonomy of the State concerned."

The Chancellor said that the rulers concerned were entitled to be assured that their agreeing to work out suitable schemes of joint services for the further improvement of their administration would not be used a justification for undue interference by local officers in their internal affairs. "We feel sure," he continued, "that in asking the smaller States which cannot themselves afford to provide the requisite standard of a modern administration to form 'political entities' of sufficient size, Your Excellency has no intention of suggesting any arrangement which may affect the continuance of the ruling dynasties or the integrity or autonomy of the States concerned. We deem it our duty to bring to Your Excellency's notice the serious misgivings which prevail generally amongst the rulers of so-called smaller States, and we invite Your Excellency's particular sympathy and consideration in approaching the problems of these States."

FLOW OF CAPITAL INTO STATES

As regards the Viceroy's remarks on the economic problems facing India, the Nawab of Bhopal said: "In fostering their nascent industries, the States are actuated by no feeling of rivalry, much less hostility, towards British India. Recent happenings, however, have made it necessary for the States to claim that there should be no discrimination against them and their people, that no impediments should be placed in the way of the natural development of their resources, and that they should be associated in the formulation and implementation of all-India policies in which their co-operation may be desired.

Moreover, while the States have taken effective measures to check inflation, they have urged that in the name of inflation measures should not be adopted which are likely to impede the natural progress of the States or the reasonable and legitimate flow of capital into their territories."

"These are matters of vital concern to the States and their peoples, and we welcome in particular Your Excellency's assurance that it is your earnest aim and will be your constant endeavour that the interests of the States should receive the same attention and sympathy from the Government of India in the process of development as those of the provinces of British India, if this is implemented, as we hope it will be, by the Departments concerned, we feel sure that the States will be enabled to render cordial co-operation in the formulation of policy in such matters of All-India concern and in implementing them in the best interests of the country and its component units.

The Chancellor said that the States would be ready to co-ordinate their policy with that of the rest of India in regard to foodgrains, as they had done in the recent past.

TAXATION POLICIES

Referring to the Crown Representative's remarks on the importance of gradually approximating the taxation policies and systems in the States with those of British India, the Nawab of Bhopal said that the question of raising taxation levels in the States and of agreeing to approximate their systems and levels of taxation to those obtaining in British India were delicate matters which vitally concerned the interests and welfare of our peoples, and which called for most anxious consideration particularly as at present the States had no voice in shaping all-India taxation policies. Moreover, these matters were the subject of active negotiation at the moment between our representatives and those of the Government of India. We can assure Your Excellency, however, that we fully realise the importance of this question and that our approach will be reasonable, fair and patriotic."

THE THREE REQUIREMENTS

Earlier the Nawab of Bhopal referred to the three conditions which the Crown Representative said he considered necessary for a State to conform to the requirements of the time, viz., political stability, adequate financial resources and effective association of the people with the administration. "We are not quite sure," said the Nawab, "as to what is intended by the term 'political stability' in this text, but this term, as we understand it, must take into account the historic background and geographical position of the States and as such it can be inherent in a unit even of a small size." Many Indian States, he added, were awaiting development and, therefore, their existing revenues alone should not be the criterion of assessing their financial position.

In his concluding remarks Lord Wavell said: "We have difficult and most momentous times ahead and I welcome the resolution of Your Highnesses, most sincerely and earnestly expressed, to co-operate in the progress and advancement of India to her full stature. I am confident of that future greatness of India and that the rulers and the States will play a fitting part in it."

LEAGUE LUMINARIES MEET M. P.'S

BOMBAY, Friday.

Mr. I. I. Chundrigar, President of the Bombay Provincial Muslim League, Mr. Hasan A. Shaikh, Secretary and Khan Bahadur Abdul Kadir Shaikh met the members of the British Parliamentary Delegation, at the Secretariat, this morning.

It is understood that the local League leaders explained to the members of the Delegation "a general outline of the Muslim State and the creed of Pakistan adopted by the Muslims of India."

Approached by Pressmen, Mr. Chundrigar said that in the course of a 45-minute talk with the members various aspects of unitary governments for India were discussed.

It is learnt that when the members asked the local League leaders to clarify the creed of Pakistan, the latter outlined the features of the projected independent State, adding that "enslavement of 100 million Muslims could not be contemplated by the British Government by by-passing the League issue."

Among those who met the members were Miss Maniben Kara, belonging to M. N. Roy's Radical Democratic Party, Raja Narayanlal Bhansilal, President of the Bombay Provincial Hindu Mahasabha and Mr Damdhere who had recently lost his deposit in the Central Assembly elections.

Mr. R. R. Bhole, a sitting member of the Bombay Provincial Legislative Assembly and a member of Dr Ambedkar's Scheduled Castes Federation met with some other members of the party, the members of the Delegation.

The members of the Delegation will attend in the afternoon the Educational Exhibition which will be inaugurated by Mr. B. G. Kher the ex-Premier of Bombay. They will also attend a tea-party which will be given by the Mayor of Bombay.

Mr. Sorensen, a prominent member of the Labour Party and keenly interested in Indian affairs, Mr. Richards, the leader of the Delegation, Lord Chorley and Mr. Hopkin Morris, the remainning members of the Delegation who left Delhi this noon are expected here this evening.

Mr. Sorensen is likely to put up with Mr. G. P. Hutheesing.

Major Wyatt arrived in Bombay yesterday.

MAHATMA MEETS BENGAL GOVERNOR AGAIN

Talk Centres Round Release Of Security Prisoners

CALCUTTA, Jan. 18, (A.P.I.): Mahatma Gandhi met the Governor of Bengal, Mr. R. G. Casey, for the seventh time during his present Bengal visit, at Government House today.

Gandhiji arrived at Government House at 7-30 p.m. Bengal Time, accompanied by Mr. Pyarelal and Mr. Sudhir Ghosh.

LEAVES FOR MADRAS TODAY

To-day's Gandhi-Casey meeting was the longest of the seven, and lasted about 135 minutes. Gandhiji left Government House after the interview at 9-45 p.m. It is learnt that Mrs. Casey was present during part of the conversations.

Gandhiji leaves for Madras tomorrow and, therefore, this was the last meeting of his present visit. It is presumed that to-day's talks were in the nature of a summing-up of the results of the last six meetings and of Gandhijis Bengal visit.

RELEASE SECURITY PRISONERS

It is now certain that the Gandhi-Casey meetings centre round the release of security prisoners now interned in Bengal, says the Associated Press of America.

Of the total 248 prisoners in Bengal, Mahatma Gandhi met 201 in the Dum Dum Central Jail yesterday and spoke to them on non-violence. The other 47, he interviewed for two hours at the Presidency Jail on Tuesday. The Bengal Government arranged to bring all the security prisoners to these two jails in Calcutta to facilitate their meeting Gandhiji.

Regarding Mahatma Gandhi meeting the Parliamentary Delegation, Mr. Pyarelal said that Gandhiji was keeping an open mind and was prepared to answer whatever question the Delegation may wish to ask.

Mr. Pyarelal said that all Gandhiji had to say to the people of Bengal and Assam had been said in his prayer talks and in the course of his tour in Bengal and Assam.

SOVIET DELEGATE CALLS FOR ACTION

(Continued from Page 1.)

sation is a body to protect all peace-loving States, big and small.

Now an organisation has already been established on which devolves the most important task of maintaining peace, that is the Security Council, which has the power to arrest at the very inception any attempt by aggressors to imperil the peace, tranquillity and freedom of peoples. Thus the most important provision of the Charter have already found their practical application. The Soviet Delegation expresses the hope that the activities of the Security Council will, from the very beginning, be fruitful and effective and will be aimed at realisation of most of the objects and tasks of the organisation."

THAT VOICE FROM SOMEWHERE

M. Gromyko expressed the hope that the General Assembly will set up a commission on atomic energy as proposed by the last conference of foreign Ministers in Moscow.

He declared: "The Soviet Delegation wishes to draw the attention of the General Assembly to the fact that already now, when the organisation is just being born, voices are being heard from somewhere stating as if its Charter had already become obsolete and needs revision.

Such allegations must be decisively rejected by all those who, not merely by words but by action, are trying to build up strong and effective machinery for the maintenance of security. Such allegations are dangerous and under certain conditions may lead to serious consequences."

M. Gromyko said that observance of the Charter was an indispensable condition for the successful and fruitful activities of all organisations of the United Nations. The Soviet Delegation wanted to sense at this session a sound and creative atmosphere capable of securing positive results.

U.N.O. AND LEAGUE

He declared: "The U.N.O. must differ from the League of Nations not only in the sense that it must be an effective instrument capable of defending the interests of the peaceful life of peoples, but also it must be a new body in the sense that in it there should prevail a sound atmosphere and new methods of collective work. Revival of the methods applied in the League would cause nothing but harm to the U.N.O.

Pointing out that some of the provisions of the Charter, which must be carried out, were not yet being put into effect, M. Gromyko made particular mention of the Charters relating to non-self-governing territories.

TIME FOR ACTION

He said: "The Trusteeship system is an instrument designed to accelerate the giving of the status of national and State independence to all such peoples. That is why the speediest carrying out of the principles of Trusteeship is one of the most important obligations of member States of the United Nations which must take practical steps in the direction of realisation of these supreme principles of the Charter.

"The Preparatory Commission has made considerable progress having adopted a special resolution inviting certain members of the United Nations to accelerate the process of changing one of the categories of these territories into Trust territories. Word—and what is even more important—actions are now with those Powers to which the recommendation of the Preparatory Commission refers."

M. Gromyko went on: "The organisation of the United Nations was born as a result of bloody battles against Fascists. Now German Fascism and Japanese militarism have been defeated.

"Thus, there have been removed two sources of aggression which for many years kept the whole world in a state of fear and alarm, and which plunged humanity into the most bloody war. It would, however, be a mistake to consider that the military victory over Fascism removes the necessity for further persistent struggle for eradication and complete liquidation of the remnants of Fascism which still remain. This fight for eradication of the remnants of Fascism cannot be separated from the work of our organisation."

Concluding his speech M. Gromyko said: "Allow me to express the hope that the work of the session will be a success. The Soviet Delegation on its part will do everything possible to make the session a success."

REGIONAL ENTENTES

The General Assembly is to hold an additional meeting at 9 p.m. (G.M.T.) tonight to enable the debate to be finished by tomorrow. The President, Dr. Paul Henri Spaak said the delegates from Venezuela, Ukraine, Belgium and Lebanon would speak tonight, leaving Syria, Ethiopia, France and Cuba to be heard tomorrow.

The Lebanese delegate said that he would not be able to speak before tomorrow.

After M. Temistocles Messina, Head of the Dominican Delegation had spoken, the Egyptian Foreign Minister, Abdel Hamid Badawy Pasha came to the rostrum.

He paid warm tribute to the people of Great Britain who, he said, had borne tremendous sufferings throughout the war, but had never failed in the ideal of liberty and democracy and in the hope of a better world in which mankind could enjoy peace, liberty and justice. Congratulating Britain on its action in placing certain Mandates under the Trusteeship system, he said: "We wish to suggest that whilst we wait for Peace Treaties that will determine the fate of extra-Metropolitan territories of the Axis powers, the United Nations animated by the splendid breadth of vision which has inspired the work of the Trusteeship system, will spontaneously and in conformity with the words of the Charter place the Colonies, possessions and protectorates which they now administer, under the Trusteeship system.'

M. Abdel Badawy then referred to the absence of any recommendation or observation on the subject of regional 'ententes' in the report of the Preparatory Commission.

"It behoves your Assembly to repair this omission." M. Badawy Pasha said. He stressed the fact that the San Francisco Charter had recognised regional organisations as an important contribution to realisation of the aims of the United Nations.

The Arab States are happy to have brought a large contribution in this field by the creation of the Arab Union, which already constitutes a splendid realisation beyond all hopes." M. Badawy Pasha said. "United among themselves to make their relations close, to safeguard their independence and co-operate in a particularly intimate way in economic, social, intellectual and public health spheres, the Arab States have created a regional organisam which will greatly help the success of the United Nations in their task." The Assembly was adjourned till 3 p.m.

A WORLD PROBLEM

Mr. Louis Saint Laurent, Canadian Minister of Justice, speaking on resumption of the debate in the afternoon referred to atomic power as "a world problem" for the United Nations.

He said: "The possibility of harnessing atomic energy to purposes of mankind has been demonstrated by the very nations who appear to have made the greatest advances in that field—and my country is one of them. It is now proposed that the vast problems and possibilities which this discovery has opened before us shall be dealt with within the framework of the United Nations. This is a most striking instance of a world problem which is of direct concern to every human being and of the manner in which it should be handled. But it does not stand alone."

Mr Saint Laurent declared: "At the begining of this new venture in international co-operation with an organisation which will increasingly become a world community in action, we should recognise that the achievement of our aims may are long require some amendment of the Charter. Changes may be needed if we are to give effect in a changing world to the purposes and principles of the United Nations Charter. Let us, therefore keep our minds open on this subject."

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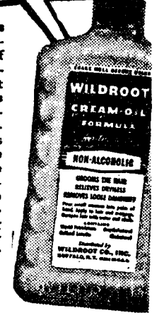

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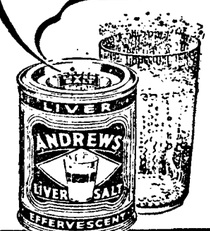

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Swastik: 2nd Week

Paristan—World Of Women!

Acharya Art Productions' latest comedy is a rollicking satire on extreme femininism. A group of manhating females decides to shut itself up in an institution from which the male of the species is entirely barred. These ardent champions of the rights of the fair sex, go to absurd and ludicrous lengths to establish equality with the sterner sex, to whom they strive to prove that women can do without the love and protection of men.

Alas! for the frailty of human nature, its ruling passion triumphs, and the greatest fire-brand femininist of all the company, is the first to fall a prey to the virile charms of the opposite sex, at the earliest contact of the fair inhabitants of 'Paristan', with the outer world.

Producer N. R. Acharya must be congratulated for selecting what is, for Indian pictures, a novel and out-of-the-rut theme.

The film is beset with hilarious situations and its moral that men and women are, actually indispensable to one another, is brought home to one in a charming manner. Mahesh Kaul has shown understanding of the humorous and diverting theme he has been called upon to direct.

Anjali Devi and Pehari Sanyal head a cast composed of Ranjit Kumari, Kamal Zamindar, Mona Chatterji and Sunalini Devi.

Here is the right picture for those who enjoy hearty laughter.

Imperial: 2nd Week

"RATTAN"—A WOMAN ENCHAINED

In absolute contrast to the all-out femininism of "Paristan", is Jamuna Productions' dramatic offering which presents the thraldom of womankind in conformity with the blind principles of orthodoxy.

Here we have a heroine, in love with her childhood sweetheart and yearning to be his partner in life—but how dare she, a mere girl, choose her own spouse! Old morals still hold sway in many homes, and old age still hankers after youth. So the hapless girl is forced to marry a man fit to be her father. The evil of the ancient system where the parents reserved for themselves the right to select their children's partners in life, is powerfully stressed in the misfortunes following the loveless summer-winter marriage.

"Rattan" ends on a note of stark tragedy when the heroine dies in the arms of the man she had loved and her prevented from marrying.

Swarnalata brings her experience of dramatic acting to bear on her role. Kiran Diwan makes a very handsome young lover. Wasti, Raj Kumari Shukla, Gulab and Badriprasad bring up the rest of the cast. The megaphone for this highly emotional drama, was wielded by Sadiq. Madhok composed the lyrics while Naushad looked after the musical score.

"Rattan" is a stirring indictment of an outmoded social system.

Royal Opera House: 2nd Week

"PRABHU-KA-GHAR" POINTS HEAVENWARDS

Ranjit's latest picture is a devotional which sets out to prove that go where you like, do what you like, in the end God alone is your anchorage and salvation.

A man stained with the double guilt of robbery and murderer seeks refuge in a village. A simple peasant girl's piety moves him to repentence of his misdeeds. A lost being till now, through her he begins to see the Divine Light, and as it penetrates his inner consciousness, peace comes to his tortured soul.

Khurshid, the Ranjit favourite enacts the role of the village girl. Drama has always been her forte, so this part presents few difficulties to her. Trilok Kapoor, Bipin Gupta and Sulochana Chatterji are the other players in this film.

Owing to the nature of its theme, the picture is full of devotional music and songs. Bulo C. Rani and Khemchand Prakash collaborated on these.

Vajahat Mirza directed this Ranjit product which holds a special appeal for lovers of devotional themes. Whether others will consider it 'entertainment' or not, remains a moot point. However, so long as religion is presented on the screen without its bogeys of superstition, fear and extreme orthodoxy, there is no reason why audiences should fight shy of it.

"Paristaan" will make you roar with laughter, "Rattan" will cloud your eyes—but you may go to "Prabhu-ka-Ghar" as an unbeliever and come out praying!

SCREEN

CURRENT PHOTOPLAY

Central: 5th Week

"ALBELI" IS A DELIGHT

Talwar Poductions' latest picture presents an amusing romance between a beggar girl and a gypsy who pair up to earn a precarious living—he with his wares, she with her voice. Complications ensue as the result of a high-placed pair falling in love with the lovely couple.

Ramola is sprightly and delightful as the beggar girl. Satis makes a handsome gypsy. The songs are light and tuneful. Director-producer Talwar has made a good job of this film.

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New West End: 14th Week

MINERVA HISTORICAL

Sorab Modi's latest film comes to us bedecked in ancient Moghul trappings on which has been conferred the erstwhile lavishness for which this producer is noted.

"Ek-Din-Ka-Sultan" is based on the legend of a 'bhisti' on whom was conferred a day's kingship as a reward for his gallant deed of rescuing one of the Moghul emperors.

Wasti plays the name part, while Mehtab enacts the role of a Moghul princess whose hand the water-carrier wins.

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Minerva: 5th Week

MURDER MYSTERY

Pancholi Pictures' "Dhamki" must take the credit for breaking fresh ground, where Indian pictures are concerned, in presenting a story entirely devoted to the solution of a murder mystery. A vein of romance of course, runs through the film.

Ragini and Alnasir make a pleasing team. Ravindra Dawe has proved himself an able director in the handling of his intriguing subject which will appeal to most cinegoers considering its novelty. Pundit Amarnath composed the musical score for "Dhamki."

PURDY'S CASE

Demand For Repatriation Papers Rejected

BOMBAY, Friday.

The demand for the production of the repatriation papers of one of the accused in the case in which Dr. Murray Gow Purdy and three others are being tried on a charge of escaping from jail custody, was rejected by Mr. F. D. Kanga at the Esplanade Court to-day.

At the resumed hearing of the case to-day, defence counsel for Mallik Arjun Rao and Reuben Setaria, two of the accused, asked for the production of the repatriation papers of Setaria. He appealed to the Court to inspect the papers and see if there was any order for the release of Setaria prior to the alleged escape.

Shantaram B. Mokase, Head Clerk, Home Department, who brought the papers in a sealed envelop sought the Court's protection not to divulge the contents as they pertained to Affairs of State.

Tale Of Woe Of Karnataka

(From A Correspondent.)

Karnatak in common with many other provinces in India, lies to-day disintegrated and dismembered. Four of its parts form the lower most part of Bombay Presidency, three are in an equally un-enviable position in Madras Presidency. Coorg forms a separate entity. The remaining parts of Karnatak are ruled by Indian States of all dimensions.

This partition of Karnatak has indeed, affected adversly its all-round progress and development. Situated as the Karnatak parts are at the tail end of the presidencies, they have received scant or very negligible attention of the respective Governments. In matters of education and health, commerce and industry, irrigation and agriculture, Karnatak stands to-day far behind the rest of the constituent parts of the presidencies.

The black soil of Karnatak is noted for its fertility and across its table land course big rivers like the Krishna, the Tungbhadra, the Ghataprabha. If proper efforts had been made to dig out a network of canals from these rivers and improve agriculture thereby, Karnatak would have been to-day a rich and prosperous province instead of the famine-stricken and poverty ridden one that it is.

Neither have systematic efforts been made to survey the possibility much less start and encourage local industries. The luxurious forests of the Western Ghats, Nilgiris and Coorg afford a veritable source of supply for many industries. Gold mines, iron and manganese ores are yet unexplored and unopened. There are again small and large waterfalls—the Gersoppa, the Unchalli, the Lalgulli, the Magoda, the Gokak, the Pykara—which can be harnessed to genrate energy for industrial purposes.

With a coast line of about 200 miles and with natural harbours like Kumta, Bhatkal, Karwar, etc. and a rich and fertile interior, Karnatak is going without an up-to-date harbour of its own.

In matters of Education too, Karnatak fares no better. Karnatak with its rich heritage of literature, paintings, sculpture, architecture, and music has not as yet a University. Bombay Karnatak can boast of three Arts Colleges only. Perhaps Madras Karnatak is more fortunate, more because of missionary efforts than those of the Government. For receiving higher and vocational education Kannadigas have to go a long way either to Bombay, Poona, or Madras.

Thus the tale of woe of Karnatak is long and varied and the Kannadigas are more than convinced that unless unification of Karnatak becomes an accomplished fact there is no salvation.

Government House News

BOMBAY, Friday.

Mr. R. Hopkin Morris arrived at Government House.

The Governor of Bombay and Lady Colville gave a dinner party at Government House to meet the Members of the Parliamentary Delegation. The following guests were invited:—

Parliamentary Delegation: Professor R. Richards, the Earl of Munster, Lord Chorley of Kendal, Mr. A. G. Bottomley, Brigadier A. R. W. Low, Mr. R. Hopkin Morris, Mrs. J. Nichol, Mr. Godfrey Nicholson, Mr. R. Sorensen, Major Woodrow Wyatt and the Rt. Hon. M. R. Jayakar, the Hon. Mr. Justice H. J. and Lady Kania, Sir Henry Knight, Sir Charles Bristow, Sir Godfrey Collins, Sir Ivon Taunton, Sir Cowasji and Lady Jehangir, Sir Victor Sassoon, Major-General E. C. Beard, the Hon. Sir Rahimtoola and Lady Chinoy, the Hon. Sir Shantidas Askuran, the Hon. Mr. and Mrs. M. N. Dalal, Sir Homi and Lady Mody, Sir Homi Mehta, Brigadier and Mrs. I. S. Jehu, Dr. and Mrs. Jos. A. D'Souza, Sir Benegal and Lady Rama Rau, Mr. A. A. Jasdenvala, Mr. C. P. Bramble, Mr. S. A. Brelvi, Mr. and Mrs. J. R. D. Tata and Dr. H. J. Taylor.

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1st PASSENGER: "But isn't that unfair?"

2nd PASSENGER: "Unfair?... to whom?"

1st PASSENGER: "To all those waiting in a queue at the Terminus."

2nd PASSENGER: "How's that?"

"Suppose one is in a hurry or wants to get home quickly?"

1st PASSENGER: "You might be in a hurry—but so are all of us—besides it is a travelling regulation to vacate a bus at a terminus—or if you wish to continue your journey to get down and take your place in the queue."

2nd PASSENGER: "What—is it a B.E.S.T. Regulation?"

1st PASSENGER: "No—it is the "Law" for which you can be fined anything upto Rs. 20/- —besides YOU would not like to be deprived of a seat if you were in the queue. Well it is only natural and fair to observe the same spirit towards others!"

2nd PASSENGER: "Well I never looked at it in that light before. I thought I was being smart in getting on a stop before—nor did I know the regulations!"

1st PASSENGER: "No body likes regulations but obviously this one is made in the interests of passengers as they are assured a seat strictly in turn, which is only fair."

BYE-LAW: Rule 85A. Additional provisions relating to conduct of passengers and other persons in omnibuses operating in the City of Bombay:

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Lovji Cama Dramatic Festival

Critical Analysis Of English Section

By

Sardi

I regret having to state that the English section of the Lovji Cama Festival of Drama which opened last week at St. Xavier's Hall, presented the sorry spectacle of players who, for the most part, strutted about gesticulating aimlessly and articulating their speeches miserably, revealing lack of dramatic sense and appalling delivery of their lines. However, keeping in mind the sincerity of their efforts, and wishing to help them in their aspirations, I propose to deal with each item separately, and to point out, within the space limitations of my article, the merits and the faults of these amateurs, many of whom, I understand, have had considerable acting 'experience'.

WHEREFORE WERE YOU—ROMEO AND JULIET?

Jehangir Anklesaria and Roshan Reporter must be congratulated on the simple and effective stage decor of Juliet's chamber and the capulet vault for ROMEO AND JULIET. If there was a fault, it was the lighting which, while appropriately gloomy for Scenes 1 and 3, tended to be so to such a degree that one had positively to strain one's sight to be able to 'discern the shadowy players.

Romeo is usually interpreted as a dreamy, love-sick youth, but not devoid of manliness. In the hands of J. Anklesaria, he became not only a dreamer but also a spineless, maudlin creature who spoke in an effeminate voice and moved about in a somnambulistic trance. One felt sorry for Juliet (Aloo Dubash) in scene I, for, as she rose from the bridal bed, one could not help but think what a dull wedding-night she must have spent with such a lover! However, she herself proved to be a lifeless person lacking in womanly warmth. In Scene 2, when Juliet drinks of the phial, she soft-pedalled the part to such an extent that it lost all its high dramatic intensity.

J. Anklesaria and Aloo Dubash must realize that restraint can be carried too far, and that a fair accent is not the only requirement of elocution which also calls for emotional depth, correct intonation, modulation and absolute audibility—which qualities they should learn to cultivate.

None of the other players deserves mention, except Dosa Mistry who must be chastised for making of Juliet's nurse an exaggeratedly palsied figure, and Pheroze Madon for misusing his deep and powerful voice, with its ring of youth, when playing an 'old man like Friar Laurence.

LUDICROUS SPECTACLE

RIVAL EDITORS adopted from "The Pickwick Papers" of Dickens, and presented by a High School Dramatic Union, became ludicrous from start to finish because it displayed players, wholly Indian in appearance and with noticeably Indian accents, attempting to play pronouncedly typical English characters and to put across typical English humour.

All the same, these youngsters put much gusto into their acting and strove gallantly against the hadicap which, for some strange reason, they had beset themselves. They would be well-advised, in future, to choose something less typically foreign.

BEST FEMALE PERFORMANCE

Priestley's CLAIRVOYANT (Act II of "The Long Mirror"), brought forth, in my opinion, the best individual performance of all the feminine players, from Coomi Karani, who, as Bronwen revealed a forceful personality and great emotional depth. This young actress should go far, provided she avoids a certain woodenness of manner to which she is prone.

As to Minu Chhoi, in the part of Michael, he cut a singularly gawky figure, revealed an uncomfortable stiffness of manner, and spoke in a deplorably Parsi and studied accent that jarred every time it cut in on the cultured tones of Siloo Seervai (Valerie) and Coomi Karani. To the latter, let me present my bouquet for her able performance.

HUMOROUS SKETCH

HUSBANDS SUPPLIED, from the pen of Folkland L. Cary, provided many laughs, but revealed no outstanding histrionic talent. If mention must be made of some of the players, I may state that Piloo Umrigar made an effective 'hussy' and a very formidable figure as Mrs. May. Surprisingly enough, Bapsy Sabavala the veteran amateur, shed her erstwhile theatricalism and provided a delightfully restrained performance as an old lady seeking a husband.

BEST PLAYLET: OUTSTANDING MALE ACT

Now I come to what I considered the best sketch of the evening—THE FARMER'S GEETA by P. N. Nanappan. The theme of this piece was Hindu-Muslim unity as depicted through the actions of simple village folk comprising a Hindu milkman and his wife, a Muslim baloon seller and a non-communal-minded 'khedoot' who preached the gospel of unity and work.

P. N. Nanappan as Gangaram the milkman, D. M. Kulkarni as Ahmed the 'baloon-wallah', and Pratap Oza as Gayaprasad the farmer, acted with great naturalness, bringing the characters to vivid life. They took the wise precaution of speaking English with Indian accents and hence sounded quite natural in their parts. **Of these three, Nanappan must be singled out as giving not only the best performance in this particular sketch, but the outstanding male act of the evening.**

Nargesh Cawasji as Gouri, the milkman's wife, was suitably coy, but struck a jangled note by not emulating the rest in the adoption of an Indian accent, but speaking in conspicuously English tones entirely out of keeping with her role.

Whoever stage-managed this particular sketch, must be stigmatised for permitting someone back-stage to part the back-curtains and take a constant peep, every now and then, during one of the scenes.

Nanappan must be congratulated not only on his acting but also for the excellence of the playlet. His one fault is that he is somewhat inclined to belabour the obvious. If he could learn to be more subtle, he would, indeed be the ideal writer of plays with topical Indian themes.

GENEBAL CRITICISM

In conclusion, let me state that the time allowed each sketch was much too long for a contest of the present nature. This was made even more obvious by the audience being made to wait in absolute darkness, during irksome intervals between scenes.

Judging the acting collectively, I feel that there was a tendency among the players either to be over-restrained or to go to the other extreme. They must all learn to strike a happy medium. They should also cultivate the art of speaking in accents in keeping with their roles. An English accent when playing a typical Indian character, as in Narges Cawasji's case, or Indian accents when portraying typical English characters as evidenced by the entire cast of "Rival Editors", should be studiously avoided.

Last but not least, miscasting must be guarded against, otherwise we are confronted with painful spectacles such as exhibited by the High School Dramatic Union. Minu Chhoi in the clairvoyant; and lifeless Aloo Dubash and Jehangir Anklesaria playing two of fiction's most renowned lovers such as Romeo and Juliet; or, yet again, Jehangir Anklesaria playing the only 'man' in the cast of "Husbands Supplied", and behaving all the time, like a popinjay for whom only a skirt seemed necessary to make the piece 'an all-female cast' playlet.

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Wall Street Irregular With Large Volume Of Business

ROUTINE TRADE BUYING AND HEDGING IN COTTON

NEW YORK, Jan. 17

Wall Street opened irregular but active. Numerous pivotals were stalled by profit-taking while individuals were aided by favourable earnings outlook as well as inflation psychology. Variations either way were generally confined to fractions and trends towards noon were cloudy. Bidding which again was based on hopes that labour difficulties would soon be settled lifted selected steels, utilities and industrials to 8 to 15 year peaks, although some precautionary selling appeared because of likelihood of a correction. However, for eight consecutive sessions the volume exceeded two million shares. Numerous early gains were reduced or cancelled towards the close which was irregular.

American Telephone 193_1/8 (193_3/4), Amerex Corpn. 37-3/4 (37_1/2), Anaconda Copper 48_1/8 (48_1/8), Chase National 45_5/8 (46), Sinclair Oil 20-1/8 (20_3/8), Firestone Tyre 74_1/8 (75_3/4), General Electric 48_1/2 (48-1/4), General Motors 78_1/8 (78_3/8), Ingersol Rand 140 (141), International Nickel 39-3/4 (40), National City Bank 48 (48_1/4), New York Central Rail 34_3/8 (35_1/2), Socony Vacuum Corpn. 17-1/4 (17_1/2), Texas Corpn. 61_7/8 (61_1/2), Union Carbon 109 (108_3/4), U. S. Smelting 75-1/4 (75_1/2), U. S. Steel 89_1/2 (89_3/8), Western Union Telegraph 51_5/8 (52_1/8).

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York Cotton market opened steady on moderate trade buying and continued hopes of an early strike settlement. Business remained slow but sellers showed no anxiety to offer contracts owing to inflationary ideas and opposition to price ceilings. Washington reports that plans were near completion to ship a large quantity of low grade cotton to occupied countries attracted attention but had little influence on market activities and conditions later were extremely quiet with cable strike still interfering with wire services. Operators generally were still disposed to wait developments in connexion with commodity credit corporation offerings and proposed ceilings. The Department of Agriculture's announcement regarding the cotton goal merited little attention. At midday the market was quiet. In the afternoon routine trade demands against scattered hedges believed to be commodity credits corporation sales caused prices to drop slightly. Later buying predominated with offerings scarce and the session closed very steady.

CHICAGO GRAINS,

Chicago grains ruled firm. This was attributed to indications of a much smaller than previously estimated wheat carry over and the strength of Winnipeg rye. Persistent inflation talk and good shipping demand for oats with Greece reported in the market for ten thousand tons additional were bolstering influences.

May 1.80_1/2 bid (1.80_1/2 bid).
July 1.79_1/8 to 1.79-1/8 (1.78_3/4 to 1.78_3/4).
September 1.77_1/2 to 1.77-1/2 (1.76_3/4 to 1.76_3/4).

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Deadlock Continues On Stock Exchange

Bombay, Jan. 18.

To-day is the third day of the deadlock on the Bombay Stock Exchange and no business was reported. Dealers are anxiously awaiting the decision of the Board which is meeting this afternoon. In these days when the market is very sensitive with wide price movement clients feel nervous as they are unable to do any business.

BOMBAY COTTON

The Cotton market opened to-day at Rs. 436/8 for March delivery and improved to Rs. 437/12 on moderate buying. Trading was restricted and the market is inclined to await developments. Professional operators are inclined to support but the future depends upon teji mandi settlement.

Later on the market moved within a narrow range with mixed trading. The market closed at 5_30 p.m. as under :—

I.C.C.	.....	433	0 0
I.C.C.	.....	437	0 0
I.C.C.	.....	446	4 0
I.C.C.	.....	456	12 0

Cotton Parity

Indian Cotton March Contract is 778 cent points below New York March at Exchange rate 331.

High & Low Cotton Prices

	Hi.	Lo.	Close.
January	434	431/8	431/8
March	439	436/8	436/8
May	448	445/12	445/12
July	458/8	456	456

GOLD & SILVER

The deadlock continues in the bullion market and no forward business was done. The Board is again meeting this afternoon. Ready silver was placed at Rs. 138/8 to Rs. 138/12 while ready gold was done at Rs. 88 to Rs. 88/8. Sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 64/10.

Indian Stock Exchange

Tata Ordinary 474, Tata Deferred 2625, Indian Iron 54/8, Steel Corpn. of Bengal 45, Bombay Dyeing 2180, Central India 432/8, Century 982/8, Gokak 335, Kohinoor 683/12, Simplex 340, Andhra Valley 1850, Tata Hydro 218/12, Tata Power 1965, Associated Cement 238, Belapur 242/8, Bombay Burma (Old) 610.

BOMBAY PRODUCE

The local produce market was fairly steady but the turnover was restricted. Groundnuts Bombay Khandesh quality were quoted at Rs. 18/12 and Bold were placed at Rs. 18/4. Goa December-February Groundnuts were quoted at Rs. 18/10. There was no business in Castorseeds. Bombay quotation was Rs. 16/4 while Goa and Navlakhi was quoted at Rs. 16/6. Linseed was steady with sellers at Rs. 21 while offices were buyers at Rs. 20/12 to Rs. 20/13. Tone was steady.

Calicut Market

CALICUT, Jan. 18.

Cocoanuts Raw 125; Dry 120/8; Cocoanut Oil 530, Copra Office 350, Dil-Pasand 360, Madrasnottam 360, Good-Gooda 350, Pepper Wynaad 405, Country 400, Dry ginger Chernad 350, Ernad 340, Coffee Robusta 90.

NEW YORK COTTON.

New York, Jan. 17.

March	24.60+05
March highest (10 a.m.).	24.60
March lowest (12_15 p.m.)	24.57+02
May	24.58+04
July	24.39+03
October	23.83+05
December	23.75+02
January	23.72+02
Middling Spot	25.29+05

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

March	24.64+06
May	24.61+09
July	24.45+09
October	23.87+06
December	23.80+07
Middling Spot	24.45+10

NEW YORK COTTON, NOON CALL.

March	24.58
May	24.55
July	24.39

LONDON BULLION.

London, Jan. 17.

Spot 44d, Forward 44d. Gold Bars Fine per oz. £8/12/3.

LONDON EXCHANGES.

London, Jan. 17.

T. T. London on :—
New York sellers 4.02_1/2, buyers 4.03_1/2, Madrid official 44.00 Montreal sellers 4.43, buyers 4.45, Zurich sellers 17.3, buyers 17.4, Stockholm sellers 16.85, buyers 16.95.

LONDON WHEAT.

London, Jan. 17.

Wheat Rozario Santa Fe (new crop) unoffered, Australian Wheat (bulk) 61 quoted Jan./Feb., Australian Wheat (bags) unoffered.

LONDON STOCK EXCHANGE.

London, Jan. 17.

	£
Rupee Paper 3-1/2 p c	75
Consols 2_1/2 p c	92
Conversion Loan 3_1/2 p c 1961	107-3/4
War Loan 3-1/2 p c	104_1/2
Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90	114_1/8
Victory Bonds 4 p c	115
Chartered Bank of I. A. and China	10_13/16
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank London (Reg.)	89_1/2
National Bank of India N. Y. SILVER.	41-3/4

New York, Jan. 17.

United States price of Foreign Silver 71.1 cents
New York buying price 70_3/4 cents.

Rail-Road Co-ordination Scheme Must Go

Operators' Threat Of Non-Co-operation With Bombay Government In Its Enforcement

POONA, Jan. 17 (A.P.I.): Non-co-operation with the Bombay Government in its enforcement of Rail-Road Co-ordination Scheme in this province by the operators is the motto of the Bombay Provincial Motor Union Congress, according to the decision arrived at a meeting of the Executive Committee of the Motor Union Congress held here today. Mr. R. R. Diwakar, a prominent Congress leader of Karnatak, presided.

Detailed instructions to the operators how to resist the scheme all over the province are to be issued shortly by the Executive Committee of the Bombay Provincial Motor Union Congress. The operators would be instructed not to produce their vehicles for valuation as demanded by the Bombay Government, not to submit lease-lend vehicles to the Bombay Government, and not to co-operate in any way with the Government in the enforcement of the rail-road co-ordination scheme.

It was stated that promotors and Managing Directors in some of the zones in the province have already resigned. It was also decided at the meeting to take legal steps against the Bombay Government when they issue new permits to the promotors and operators.

The General Secretary of the Bombay Provincial Motor Union Congress has proceeded to New Delhi to acquaint the members of the Central Legislative Assembly with the situation and put forth the case of motor operators in the province on the Bombay Government rail-road co-ordination scheme.

Govt. Loans For Cotton Firms

LONDON, Jan. 17, (U.P.A.): The reorganization of the cotton industry will be facilitated by Government-guaranteed loans to individual cotton firms under the forthcoming Control of Investment Bill, the United Press of America learned today.

NO RIDERS TO ANGLO-U. S. LOAN PACT?

WASHINGTON, Jan. 16 (Reuter.: The United States Administration will frown on any Congressional attempt to attach a rider to the Anglo-American Financial Agreement giving the United States rights in various British-owned Atlantic military bases, it was stated in authoritative American quarters in Washington today.

While Cingress cannot change the terms of agerement it can attach any number of riders it wishes, although such riders would have to be revieved by Britain who might reject them creating a new problem over the agreement in general.

The possibility of attaching a rider about Atlantic bases has arisen since President Harry Truman's declaration that his Government intends to maintain individual trusteeship of all former Japanese islands in the Pacific necessary to United States security, the argument being that Atlantic bases are similarly important.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, Jan. 18.

B. C. Rates T. T. B. D. 1/5 15/16.
London Banks selling T. T. D. D. 1/5 31/32.
London Banks buying T. T. 1/6 1/32.
London Banks buying D. D. 1/6 1/16.
London Banks buying 90 d/st. 1/6 5/32 to 4th months.
London Banks buying 90 d/st. 1/6 3/16 5th and 6th months.
New York B. C. Rate T. T. Rs. 332 3/4.
New York Banks selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 332 3/4.
New York Banks buying T. T. Rs. 329 1/2.
New York Bank buying D. D. Rs. 328 1/2.
Montreal Banks selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 302 1/2.
Montreal Banks buying T. T. Rs. 299.
Montreal Banks buying D. D. Rs. 297 1/2.
Paris Banks selling T. T. Fcs. 3550.
Paris Banks buying T. T. Fcs. 3650.
Amsterdam Banks selling T. T. D. D. Fl. 79 1/2.
Java Banks selling T. T. D. D. ——.
Hongkong Banks selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 84.
Shanghai Banks selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 17 1/4.
Singapore Banks selling T. T. D. D. Rs. 157 1/2.
New York/London Cross Rate dol. 4.03 3/8-4.03_1/2.
London/Hongkong Cross Rate 1/2 13/16_1/3 3/32.
London/Shanghai Cross Rate 3d. to 3 1/16d.
London/Singapore Cross Rate 2/3 15/16 to 2/4 o/3.
London/Paris Cross Rate Frcs. 470.70 to 480.39.
London/Belgium Cross Rate Frcs. 176 1/2 — 3/4.
London/Switzerland Cross Rate Frfs. 17.30 — 40.
London/Stockholm Cross Rate Kr 16.85 — 95.
London/Denmark Cross Rate Kr. 19.32/19.36
London/New York Cross Rate dol. 4.02 1/2 — 4.03_1/2.
London/Montreal Cross Rate dol. 4.43/4 45.
London/Amsterdam Cross Rate Fl. 10.68/10.70.
London/Java Cross Rate Fl.7.58/7.62.
Tone of Sterling Exchange :—Quiet.
London Discts : 3 Months 17/ 32 p.c.
London Discts : 6 Months 9/16_5/8 p.c.
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Money :—Call 1/4 p.c., 3 months 1/2 p.c. 6 months 3/4 p.c., 12 months 1 1/4 p.c.
Tone :—Better Enquiry.

Worth Street Dull

NEW YORK, Jan. 17 (U. P. A.): On the Worth Street Cotton Cloth market to-day the chief interest was centered upon the Government's plan to allow a temporary ten percent ceiling increase on rayon in order to promote production.

French Girl To Write Thesis On Ramayan

(From Our Correspondent)

ALLAHABAD, Jan. 18.

A French girl named Miss Maudeville has been deputed by the University at Paris to carry on researches in Hindi at the Allahabad University. Miss Maudeville has already joined the University. She will submit a thesis for Doctorate in Hindi to the Paris University. She will carry on her researches under the supervision of Dr. Dhirendra Varma, Head of the Hindi Department, Allahabad University. The subject she has chosen for her thesis is "origin and religious significance of Tulsidas's Ramayan." Sanskrit was her subject at her degree examination at Paris.

General Tax Increase Is "Suicidal"

BOMBAY, Friday.

Speaking on the Bombay Municipal Budget for 1946-47, Mr. Mahomedbhoy I. M. Rowjee said that the principle of taxation should be to tax the rich and relieve, as far as possible, the burden on the poor. He made several suggestions to the Corporation in the light of this principle. He thought that the general tax for the buildings used by the mills was on a wrong basis. He proposed that the rental value of the mills should not be according to the area but according to the output of cloth or other materials which the mills produced. He also urged that water tax by meter measurement at mills should be doubled.

"To increase the general tax is suicidal", he declared. He was opposed to increase or taxation payable by tenants.

Mr. Rowjee said: "Mr. Chairman is living in Ethiopia when he says that with the release of building materials the poor people will be housed at cheap rent if not actually at cheaper rents. A cubic content foot of a building in the past used to cost about four annas. The present rate is Rs. 1-4-0 per cubic content foot. In other words the cost is practically 5 times that of the pre-war rate. May I know if 5 times the old rate is spent on materials, how could anybody build and let the premises at cheap rents if not at cheaper rents.

Regarding the Shop and Establishment Act, it is really regrettable that the Government has not paid any grant for the purpose. If the Government is not going to make an immediate payment we should warn them that we will not carry out this duty as nothing can be done without money.

One thing I must frankly state that the Corporation do not look to the interests of the Ratepayers as they look to the interests of their staff and go on increasing salaries and expenditure. In fact we behave like Directors of a Stock Exchange Company and our staff are something like Shareholders."

Modernization Of Cotton Plants

LONDON, Jan. 17, (U. P. A.): While the Cotton Working Party's report is not yet known the Financial Times hazards that emphasis will be laid on the modernization of plants and equipment, increased standardization improved working conditions, a firmer accent on administrative efficiency and co-ordination between the different processes between the mill and the market.

The paper asks how will these factors be carried out and adds that the report will be of no avail unless it contains the means of achievement.

BOMBAY SHROFFS' DIFFICULTIES: The Bombay Shroffs (Bankers) Association Ltd. has sent a telegram to the Hon. the Finance member regarding Demonetisation of currency notes Ordinances, stating that the "steps taken by them are worse than the disease"

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Unique opportunity to know your future, advice on different problems. Consult famous Astrologer V. P. Kanhere, 129, Shukurwar Peth, Poona City. (399)

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Norman's Embrocation Cures Rheumatism, Lumbago, Sciatica, Sprains, Strains, Stiffness, joint and muscular aches. Obtainable at all chemists, and Norman and Laurie, "Woodland," Mahim. (564)

PUBLIC NOTICES

In the Matter of THE INDIAN COMPANIES ACT, 1913,

and

In the Matter of THE PROGRESSIVE LAND BUILDING AND TRADING COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the Creditors of the above-named Company, which is being voluntarily wound up, are required, on or before the 31st day of March, 1946, to send their names and addresses, and the particulars of their debts or claims, to the undersigned at Advani Chambers, Sir P. M. Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay, and, if so required by notice in writing from the undersigned, are to come in and prove their said debts or claims at such time and place as shall be specified in such notice, or in default thereof they will be excluded from the benefit of any distribution made before such debts are proved.

Dated this 19th day of January, 1946.

HORMASJI D. JASSOOBHOY,
Liquidator.
(6293)

THE HINDU SANATORIUM FOR TUBERCULOSIS, KARLA

NOTICE

A MEETING of the Donors and the past and present office bearers of the Sanatorium will be held at its office at Sir Bhalchandra's House, 215, Charni Road, Bombay 4, on the 3rd February, 1946, at 3-30 p. m. to consider its present financial situation and the question of its future working on up-to-date lines. All those coming under the above categories will kindly treat this as an individual invitation and make it convenient to attend.

(Sd.) B. G. PADHYE,
Jt. Hon. Secretary.
Hindu Sanatorium for Tuberculosis, Karla,
(620)

AGENTS WANTED

Wanted Agents or wholesale Dea-lers, the Luxmi Button Mfg. Co., Dacca, Bengal. (599)

Wanted:— Selling Agents at all unrepresented Towns for the Nav Yug, Delhi, the most popular, foremost, pictorial Hindi Weekly. Price two annas. Sample copy on request. Apply Manager. (6301)

Wanted:— Agents for sale of our high quality cigarettes and pipe tobacco in every city and town. Write for samples and agency terms Oriental Tobacco Co., Cawnpore. (6111)

Wanted Stockists & Agents for Soapstone, Barytes, Whiting, Red Oxide of Iron, Yellow Ochre, Red Ochre, Corundun, Asbestos, Chinaclay and lime. Please address Mineral Marketing Company, Katni, C. P. (5799)

Wanted Purchasers of our Tower Brand Bar Soap, cubes, Cash, write to the Baku Soap Works, Matunga, Bombay 19. (9149)

LOANS & MORTGAGES

Wanted Financier for recently started Film Distributing Concern. Liberal terms. Please apply Box No. 627 "Bombay Chronicle."

Lakhs of rupees will be arranged on the proper Security of Estate, with reasonable interest. Write P. Box No. 4007. Bombay. No. 7. (621)

Loans, given against shops, fac-tories, policies, Officers at Cheap interests, Kantilal Company, 28. New Hanuman Lane, Kalbadevi. (357)

PROPERTIES FOR SALE.

Property at 493 D'Monte Street Bandra. Facing two Public Roads. Offer 6 p. c. net return. No Brokers. Vacant Possession of one flat will be given. Write to Hippolyte Fernandez, Mount Carmel Road, Bandra. (608)

For Sale at Satara, big Bunga-low with Electric lights, water, garage, etc. Apply Mr. Satarawalla, Tata Power Works, Khopoli. (596)

Lands fetching 1,000 yearly and Bungalow for very quick sale. Ratnagiri District, Near Bombay Box No. 610 "Bombay Chronicle."

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Wanted:— Complete Tin plant capable of manufacturing 2000 tins per shift of 8 hours (Foreign make) quote with full specifications. Apply to Box No. 6285A "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted:—Lancashire, Boiler 38' x 8' and 180 lb. Pressure. Apply Box No. 6286 "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted:— Two automatic fill-ling Machines for Ghee Factory (Foreign make). Apply to Box No. 6285 "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted:—High Pressure Gas Sto-rage tanks 8'-10' Diameter and 25'-30' length. Apply Box No. 6286A "Bombay Chronicle."

MISCELLANEOUS ADLETS

Now a day it is very difficult to get suiting etc., why worry! Just bring to us your old suit with our address and make them as new provided the materials are not entirely worn out. Alteration especialist, M. S. Fernandes Tailor 266, ground floor, Tehmurasp Building, off Clock Tower, Bazar Gate, Fort, Bombay. (625)

MISCELLANEOUS WANTED

Wanted Typewriters, Standard or Portable, Communicate:— Bhatia & Co., 236, Kalbadevi Rd. (545)

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

For Sale. White Dextrin. Yellow Dextrin, British Gum, Laxmi Brand Paste Powder and other Textile products. Ready Stocks available. Apply for particulars to Eastern Import Agency, Samuel Street, Bombay. (588)

PUBLIC NOTICES

NOTICE.

DIRECTORATE GENERAL OF DISPOSALS
(DISPOSALS DIRECTORATE)

DISPOSAL OF ROYAL NAVY POWER DRIVEN CRAFT.

The ROYAL NAVY are expected almost immediately to have for DISPOSAL in India POWER DRIVEN CRAFT.

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ENQUIRIES:

Enquiries for technical information and inspection of Craft should be addressed, by letter only, to:—

THE DISPOSAL COMMITTEE,
SENIOR OFFICER,
ROYAL NAVAL ESTABLISHMENTS (INDIA),
AMRUT BUILDING, DOUGALL ROAD,
BALLARD ESTATE, BOMBAY.

OFFERS TO PURCHASE:

Offers to purchase should be made in writing to Director Surplus Transportation Stores, Directorate General Disposals, Shahjahan Road, New Delhi, and marked for attention of Mr. Kitchener.

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P. W. D.

APPLICATIONS for posts of Overseers, permanent and temporary, in the P.W.D., are invited so as to reach the Chief Engineer, Post-war Reconstruction, Poona, before the 30th January, 1946. The sanctioned pays in the scale of Rs. 70-5-110-E. B.-10-160-E. B.-250 exclusive of Dearness or War and Travelling Allowances, are as follows:—

	PERMANENT.	TEMPORARY.
(i) Holders of University Degree B.E. (Civil) of the Bombay University or equivalent qualifications,	Rs. 70 p. m. for the first year Rs. 120 p. m. after completion of one year.	Up to Rs. 180 p. m.
(ii) Holders of Diploma in Civil Engineering of the College of Engineering Poona, or equivalent qualification.	Rs. 70 p. m.	Up to Rs. 110/- p. m.

No increments beyond Rs. 180 in the case of Degree holders and Rs. 110 in the case of Diploma holders will be given to temporary overseers without sanction of Government.

2. The minimum salary expected, either below or above the Government limits; year of passing the examination in Engineering; caste and the date on which the applicant can join, if appointed, should be stated in the application. Service may be anywhere in the Bombay Province.

3. AGE LIMIT is 25 for Advanced and 28 for Backward and Muslim communities respectively, but may be relaxed in case of temporary appointments. War service will be given preference.

4. Applications from suitable overage persons and practical hands will also be considered for temporary posts.

C. G. KALE,
Chief Engineer to Government of Bombay.
14th January, 1946.
(6290)

GOVERNMENT OF INDIA.
DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIES AND SUPPLIES,
Office of the Controller of Supplies, Strand House, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, Bombay.

THE CONTROLLER OF SUPPLIES, Bombay, invites Tender No. BSY/BAM/3065 to reach him on or before the 28-1-1946 on forms (not transferable) obtainable from this office at Rs. 2/- (Rupees Two) (not refundable) per set to be paid in cash or by M. O. or Indian Postal Order quoting tender No., full name and address of the remitter for:—

ITEM NO.		NOS.
1.	Black Iron Secondhand (Drums (5 gallons) in serviceable conditions 24 guage, with 4" opening and capsules complete	1,000 (One thousand)

Applicants not already on approved Supply Department list must give their Banker's reference on application for tender form.

Public Opening at 11-30 A.M. on 29-1-1946.

Tender forms will not be supplied to firms already blacklisted.
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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA,
DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY
Office of the Regional Disposals Commissioner, Phoenix Building, Ballard Estate, Bombay.
Dated the 16th Jan., 1946.

TENDER NOTICE

TENDERS ARE INVITED for purchase and removal of the following materials lying at Messrs. Bharat Rubber Works, 15A Elphinstone Circle, Fort, Bombay.

ITEM NO.	NOMENCLATURE	QUANTITY.
1	Antigas overboots Heavy No. 2	17388 pairs.

2. The materials will be sold without any guarantee as to their condition or quantity and subject to Conditions of Contract Con. 117 (copy obtainable from Superintendent, Government Printing and Stationery, Queen's Road, Bombay).

3. Samples of the materials can be inspected in this office or they can be viewed at site by previous appointment with stockholder.

4. Offers in tenderers' own form in a sealed cover superscribed Tender No. RCS/SYD/4716 Due 25th January, 1946, should reach this office not later than 4 p. m. on 25th January, 1946. Tenders should be accompanied by a deposit at call receipt for 10% of value of the offer deposited as earnest money in Imperial or Reserve Bank of India or a Government Treasury in favour of the Regional Disposals Commissioner, Bombay, under Head of Account "Revenue Deposits." The deposit is refundable to unsuccessful tenderers. Cheques will not be accepted.

5. Offers should remain open for acceptance upto 20th Feb., 1946. Delivery should be completed ex-site within fifteen days of receipt of acceptance of offer. No assistance will be offered in obtaining transport facilities, railway wagons, etc.

6. Tenderers will be at liberty to quote for the entire quantity or a portion thereof. Rates should be quoted per pair.

7. This office is at liberty to reject all or any portion of offers received.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY
NOTICE

THE MUNICIPAL COMMISSIONER invites tenders for the supply of the stationery and drawing and surveying materials required by the various Municipal Departments during the year ending 28th February 1947.

Tender forms containing directions and conditions of contract can be had at Re. 1/4/- per set of two copies from the office of the Municipal Commissioner, Hornby Road, Bombay.

Tenders to be submitted on 30th January, 1946, before 1 P.M. (B.T.)
6295

BOMBAY PORT TRUST

TENDERS will be received by the Controller of Stores, Bombay Port Trust, Mazagon, Bombay No 10, upto 1 p.m. (S.T.) on Monday, the 18th February, 1946, for

(a) UNLOADING AND STACKING COAL.
(b) LOADING AND BUNKERING COAL.
(c) TRANSPORT AND HANDLING OF TIMBER.

during 12 months from 1-4-1946 to 31-3-1947.

Tender forms giving full particulars can be obtained from the undersigned on payment of Rs. 4/- for (a) and (b) and Rs. 2/- for (c), which will not be sent by V.P.P.

R. C. MASTER.
Controller of Stores
6289

NOTICE

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the following appointments in the Commercial Intelligence and Industrial Statistics Section of the Department of Industries, Bombay. The posts are temporary but likely to be made permanent.

(1) ASSISTANTS—In the grade of Rs. 200-10-350.

Candidates should be Honours Graduates in Commerce or Economics with previous experience of Industrial Research and Statistical work of not less than five years duration, preferably in Government Departments. Age limit 35 years at the time of appointment for direct recruits.

(2) SENIOR CLERKS:—In the grade of Rs. 95-5-140.

Candidates should be Honours Graduates in Economics with at least two years' experience of noting and drafting in Government or semi-Government offices.

(3) JUNIOR CLERKS:—In the grade of Rs. 50-5/2-90.

Minimum qualification Matriculation with at least two years' experience in Government Departments, but preference will be given to Graduates in Economics with experience in noting and drafting. Starting pay would be Rs. 60/- and Rs. 70/- p.m. for Graduates and Honours Graduates respectively.

(4) STENOGRAPHER:—In the grade of Rs. 50-5/2-90 plus short-hand allowance admissible according to speed.

(5) TYPIST:—In the grade of Rs. 50-5/2-90.

(6) COMPUTORS:—In the grade of Rs. 50-5/2-90.

For all posts war allowance will be admissible according to rules.

Minimum qualifications required for posts No. (4), (5) and (6), is matriculate of a recognised University. Age limit for posts No. (2), (3), (4), (5) and (6) for direct recruits is 25 years at the time of appointment in cases of advanced and intermediate community, and 27 years in respect of Muslims and Backward communities.

All candidates must be natives of the Bombay Province as defined in section 3 (d) of the B.C.S. Classification and Recruitment Rules.

Candidates already in Government service must apply through the Heads of the Departments in which they are serving.

Candidates must state at the top of the application the post for which they are applying and mark it "C. I. & I. S."

Applications containing full particulars regarding age, educational qualifications, experience, domicile, etc. and accompanied by copies of evidence in respect of the above particulars as well as of any testimonials regarding character and ability should be sent BY POST addressed to the Director of Industries and Statistics Authority, Old Custom House Yard, Fort, Bombay, and should reach him on or before 14th February, 1946.
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OFFICIAL TRUSTEE, BOMBAY

THE OFFICIAL TRUSTEE, Bombay acts as Trustee of Trust-deeds or Settlements, as Sole Executor and Trustee under Wills, as trustee in place of a trustee or trustees desirous of retiring, of the share or legacy of a minor or a lunatic, as trustee of the funds of charitable and philanthropic associations and caste institutions, of provident funds and funds of insurance companies, and of endowment funds for awarding scholarships to students.

The Office of the Official Trustee was created by the Government of India in the year 1843. The Official Trustee is a corporation sole with Government guarantee under the Official Trustee's Act. Trusts are administered with integrity, impartiality, secrecy and at a moderate cost.

The Official Trustee is now administering about 613 trusts of the approximate value of Rs. 32½ crores.

The Official pamphlet containing information about the Official Trustee's Office can be obtained free on application.

LEO RODRIGUES,
Official Trustee, Bombay
High Court Extension, Fort,
BOMBAY.
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PUBLIC NOTICES

THE ARYAN CHAMPION INSCE. CO. LTD.

INTIMATION having been received that Policy No. 1109 of the Champion General Insurance Co., Ltd., on the life of Mr. Bhimbhai Bhikhabhai Desai is LOST, STOLEN or MISLAID, a duplicate policy will be issued if no objection is lodged with the Company by any person within one month of the date of publication of this.

D. M. KUMTA,
Manager.
(6291)

G. I. P. RAILWAY

THE DIVISIONAL ENGINEER, G. I. P. Railway, Bombay, invites tenders upto 3 P. M. on 4-2-1946 for painting of

(1) V. T. Main Administrative Office Building &
(2) V. T. Main Station Building.

The form of tender, schedule and conditions of contract can be obtained on payment of Rs. 2/- per set. These sums will not be refunded.
6306

G. I. P. RAILWAY
EMPLOYMENT NOTICE

WANTED CANDIDATES to fill the following temporary posts in the Chief Electrical Engineer's Office of the Mechanical Department.

(1) One post of Supervisor grade Rs. 350/- fixed (New Scale).
(2) One post of Draughtsman grade Rs. 250/- fixed (New Scale).

Candidates possessing the following qualifications need only apply. Age between 18 and 30 years on 1st February, 1946.

(1) SUPERVISOR:
(a) QUALIFICATIONS: Degree or Diploma in Electrical Engineering of any full-time day course of a recognised University or Institute.
(b) Should possess practical experience in workshops and steam & oil Power Operation and in addition should have at least five years' experience in the preparation, design and layout of Power House Installations, lighting and distribution schemes.

(2) DRAUGHTSMAN:
QUALIFICATIONS:
Same as for Supervisor above except that the period of necessary practical Drawing office experience should not be less than three years.

Candidates must be physically fit generally and have the following sight standards:
(a) Distant vision as tested with Landolts split rings must not be less than 6/9 in either eye with or without glasses.
(b) Near vision—Snellen 0.6 in either eye with or without glasses.

Full particulars and form of application obtainable from the Chief Mechanical Engineer, G.I.P Railway, Parel, on payment of Re. 1/- by money order. (Stamps or Postal orders will not be accepted). Full name and address of the applicant should be entered in block capital letters on money order coupon and also the post for which the application is made failing which money orders will not be accepted. Last date for receipt of money orders is 31st January, 1946. Candidates called for interview should attend entirely at their own expense. A call to attend interview or test will not imply offer of definite employment.

Bombay Employment Exchange Sanction No. 87.
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PUBLIC NOTICE.
IMPORT TRADE CONTROL.

Sub:— Liberalisation of licensing in respect of imports from countries in the sterling area.

IMPORTERS ARE INFORMED that licensing in respect of goods included in Part IV of the schedule annexed to the Commerce Department Notification No. 23-ITC/43 dated the 1st July 1943 from sterling area countries has been liberalised and the import Trade Controllers at the main British Indian Ports viz. Bombay, Calcutta, Madras and Karachi, and also at Maritime Indian State Ports have been authorised to issue licences for such goods (with the exception of a few selected articles) if they are satisfied that importers are in a position to obtain supplies of the goods from the countries concerned. In future all applications for imports from sterling area countries of goods in Part IV of the schedule referred to above should be submitted to the Import Trade Controllers concerned and not to the Chief Controller of Imports, New Delhi. Any applications which are received direct in the Office of the Chief Controller of Imports will be returned for resubmission to the Import Trade Controllers.

D. H. ELWIN.
Jt. Chief Controller of Imports.
(6311)

B. B. & C. I. RLY.
TENDERS.

THE CHIEF TRAFFIC MANAGER invites tenders for printing and supply of Broad Gauge System Sheet Time Tables in English, Gujarati and Hindi languages; and Posters and Two Anna Time Table in English only.

Copies of Tenders are obtainable from the Chief Traffic Manager's Office, Churchgate, Bombay at Rs. 2/- per copy. Tenders are returnable on 2nd February 1946 at 11-30 A. M.
(6310)

LEGAL NOTICES

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. Amratlal Karsondas Thakkar who was serving as manager with my clients The Kumarika and Stri Mandal of Ville Parle has been discharged from service from 1-12-45 and no dealings on behalf of my clients should be effected with him as the same shall not be binding to my clients.

M. N. MAJMUNDAR.
Advocate,
27, Picket Road, Bombay 2.
(6309)

NOTICE

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Messrs. NANALAL JAIRAM BOLE, BHIMJI GOVINDJI BOLE and BHAGWANLAL TRICUMJI BOLE have contracted to sell to one of our clients the undermentioned properties. Any person or persons having or making any claim against the said properties or any one or more of them or any portion thereof by way of sale, mortgage, transfer, lease, exchange, gift, trust, inheritance, possession, lien or otherwise, howsoever, is or are requested to make the same known in writing to us at our office at Lentin Chambers, Dalal Street, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the purchase will be completed without reference to any such claim and the same, if any, shall be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPERTIES

1STLY:—ALL that piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being at Marol in South Salsette Taluka of Bombay Suburban District and in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra and containing by admeasurement 4,600 square yards or thereabouts and bearing the following description:—

Survey No.	Hissa No.	Area Gunthas	Assessment Rs. as.ps.
85	1	33½	5-3-0

2NDLY:—ALL that piece or parcel of land situate, lying and being at Marol in South Salsette Taluka of Bombay Suburban District and in the Registration Sub-District of Bandra and containing by admeasurement 33,244 square yards or thereabouts and bearing the following description:—

Survey No.	Hissa No.	Area Gunthas	Sq. Yards
84	10	3½	333
84	5	26½	3 336
84	6	15½	1,560
84	9	12	1,399
84	11	26½	2,892
86	4	28	2,002
86	6	4	501
86	7	21	2,837
86	10	6	926
86	11	5	275
86	12	1-1	3,633
86	14	30	2,100
86	5 part	1½	162
86	17 „	6½	824
86	9	1½	192
87	3 A	25	3,724
87	3 C	6-4	3,410

Dated this 18th day of January, 1946.

MATUBHAI JAMIETRAM
& MADAN,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
6302

NOTICE.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Mr. HAJI HASAN AHMED BASAR, of Bombay has contracted to sell the undermentioned properties to our client.

All persons having any claim against or interest in the said properties of whatever nature are hereby requested to make the same known in writing to the undersigned at Kermani Building, Sir Pherozeshah Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay, within 14 days from the date hereof, otherwise the sale will be completed without reference to such claim, and the same, if any, will be considered as waived.

DESCRIPTION OF THE PROPERTY.

FIRSTLY: Land on the Eastern side of the Bombay Suburban Central Railway in the village of Maravli near Chembur in Sub-District of Bandra, Bombay Suburban District, admeasuring 8900 Square Yards bearing Survey No. 14, Pot No. 1 part, Falni No. 2 and Hissa No. 1 and bounded on the East by Survey No. 18, on the West by the Bombay Suburban Central Railway, on the North by Survey No. 13 and Gowan and South by Survey No. 18.

SECONDLY: Land on the Western side of the Bombay Suburban Central Railway in the village of Maravli near Chembur in the Sub-District of Bandra, Bombay Suburban District, admeasuring 12400 square yards, bearing Survey No. 14, Pot No. 1 part, Falni No. 1, Hissa No. 1, together with a bungalow and a shed and bounded on the East by the Bombay Suburban Central Railway, on the West by Mahul Road, on the North by Survey No. 13 Gowan and Survey No. 11 and on the South by Survey Nos. 19 and 20.

Dated the 17th day of January, 1946.

GODAMBE & JOGLEKAR,
Purchaser's Attorneys.
(6300)

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